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GOVERNMENT

OF THE

City of Melrose, 1932

Mayor

ROBERT A. PERKINS

President of the Board of Aldermen

WALTER W. BRUCE

City Clerk

VICTOR C. KIRMES
22 E. Emerson Street

Aldermen-at-Large

Philip B. Carruthers, 49 Argyle Street
Alfred J. Campbell, 188 Vinton Street
Charles B. Camerlin, 88 Florence Street
Fred P. Wyman, 30 Crest Avenue

Ward Aldermen

1. Herbert L. Brettell, 14 Sewall Woods Road
2. Ralph D. Washburn, 79 Hesseltine Avenue
3. Wesley H. Blank, 333 W. Emerson Street
4. Elmer E. Chain, 64 Stratford Road
5. Walter W. Bruce, 260 W. Wyoming Avenue
6. Arthur L. Marr, 236 E. Foster Street
7. Joseph A. Milano, 115 Grove Street

Clerk of Committees

Raymond H. Greenlaw, 38 Laurel Street

Standing Committees of Board of Aldermen

Appropriations

Alderman Ralph D. Washburn, Chairman; Aldermen Blank, Brettell, Camerlin, Campbell, Carruthers, Chain, Marr, Milano, Wyman.

Education, Health and Public Welfare

Alderman Philip B. Carruthers, Chairman; Aldermen Brettell, Washburn, Milano, Blank

Finance

Alderman Joseph A. Milano, Chairman; Aldermen Camerlin, Chain, Carruthers, Marr.

Highways

Alderman Arthur L. Marr, Chairman; Aldermen Chain, Milano, Washburn, Blank, Brettell, Camerlin

Legal and Legislative Matters

Alderman Wesley H. Blank, Chairman; Aldermen Campbell, Wyman

Protection and License

Alderman Charles B. Camerlin, Chairman; Aldermen Marr, Campbell, Wyman, Chain

Public Service

Alderman Herbert L. Brettell, Chairman; Aldermen Campbell, Wyman, Washburn, Carruthers

Clerk of Committees

Raymond H. Greenlaw

Res. Melrose 1644-R
Hubbard 9890
Melrose 0604

City Officers and Office Hours

The offices hereinafter named shall be open to the public for the transaction of business from 8.00 a.m. to 5 p.m., daily except Saturdays, Sundays and Legal Holidays, viz: the offices of the City Clerk, City Collector, Engineer and Superintendent of Public Works, Board of Assessors, Board of Health, Board of Public Welfare, City Treasurer and City Auditor: and on Saturdays the said offices shall be open as aforesaid from 8.00 a.m. to 12.00 noon, except when a legal holiday falls on a Saturday. The aforesaid offices shall be open on the first and third Mondays of every month from 7 p.m. to 9 p.m., and on all other Monday evenings from 7.00 p.m. to 8.00 p.m., except during the months of July and August. (Chapter 29, section 16, Revised Ordinances.)

City Clerk
Victor C. Kirmes, 22 E. Emerson Street

Assistant City Clerk
E. Maude Brown, 17 Natalie Avenue

City Treasurer
S. Homer Buttrick

City Collector
William A. Carrie

City Auditor
William T. Wolley

Engineer and Superintendent of Public Works
Fred E. Ellis

City Solicitor
Thomas McKie

Mayor's Secretary
Blanche E. Nickerson

FIRE DEPARTMENT
Chief
Frank C. Newman

Deputy Chief
Charles F. Woodward

Fire Warden
Frank C. Newman

POLICE DEPARTMENT
Captain
Louis B. Heaton

Inspector of Buildings
Angus MacDonald

Inspector of Plumbing
Fred A. Young

Inspector of Animals and Slaughtering
Bertram S. Killian, V. S.

Inspector of Milk and Vinegar
Harold R. Munro

Sealer of Weights and Measures
Wesley H. Murray

Burial Agent and Agent for State and Military Aid and Soldiers' Relief
Mary A. Kenah

Assessors
John C. Crolly
Frederick W. Patten
Frank J. Sherman

Assistant Assessors
Mrs. Alice P. Pollard, 20 Sewall Woods Road
Mrs. Gertrude B. Leib, 120 Youle Street
Mrs. Harriet C. Holdich, 88 E. Foster Street
Mrs. Irene O'Donnell, 35 Green Street
Mrs. Bertha V. Camerlin, 88 Florence Street
Mr. Chauncy M. Day, 17 Temple Boulevard
Mr. Anthony J. Budnick, 256 Lebanon Street

Inspector of Wires
Fred A. Edwards

Board of Health
Dr. Melvin S. McLeod
Dr. Clarence P. Holden, Chairman
Arthur A. Hayden

City Physician
Dr. Clarence P. Holden

School Physicians
Dr. Walter H. Flanders, Dr. Kenneth A. Maclachlan
Dr. Edward L. Marr

Public Health and School Nurse
Mrs. Myrtle S. Meriam

Public School Nurse
Elizabeth F. Callahan

Board of Public Welfare
Roy M. Cushman, Chairman
Mrs. Adeline G. Reed, Mrs. Alice M. Fay, Luther B. Gaines
Sybil M. Baker

Park Commissioners

Elmer O. Goodridge, Chairman	Term Expires 1935
Grace T. Hume	" " 1936
Neil S. Casey	" " 1937
George F. Lufkin	" " 1933
Ethel G. Collins	" " 1935

George W. Rogers, Supt.

Board of Appeal

George H. Varney	Term Expires 1934
William B. Wadland	" " 1936
Victor H. Mutty	" " 1936
Thomas L. Thistle, Chairman	" " 1937
Royal B. Wills	" " 1937

Superintendent of Schools

Herman H. Stuart

School Committee Members

Charles H. Adams, Chairman	Term Expires 1933
Chester B. Allen	" " 1933
Margaret H. Lang	" " 1933
Edward L. Wall	" " 1933
Ralph M. Bragdon	" " 1935
Ralph D. Leonard	" " 1935
Maude M. Johnson	" " 1935
Harry F. Sears	" " 1935
Benning L. Wentworth	" " 1935

Trustees of Memorial Building

Edward J. Lord, Chairman	Term Expires 1935
Leslie B. Ellis	" " 1933
Leon H. Palmer	" " 1933
Charles L. Robinson	" " 1934
Louis K. McNally	" " 1934

Trustees of Public Library

Rev. Paul Sterling, Chairman	Term Expires 1933
Myrtie F. Seaverns	" " 1934
Thomas E. Hannegan	" " 1934
Frank W. Campbell	" " 1935
Mary C. Barton	" " 1935
Willis M. Townsend	" " 1933

Cemetery Committee

Carl F. Shaw, Chairman

Albert G. Armington — Harold W. Anderson

Roscoe A. Leavitt, Supt.

Inspector of Soldiers' and Sailors' Graves

Roscoe C. Wallace

Registrars of Voters

Edwin L. Cragin, Chairman	Term Expires 1934
John J. Keating	" " 1935
Charles E. Holt	" " 1933
Victor C. Kirmes, City Clerk	Ex-officio

Dog Officer

M. James Hanley

Keeper of the Lock-up

Louis B. Heaton

Planning Board

Eva G. Osgood, Chairman	Term Expires 1933
Allen L. Giles	" " 1934
George W. Libby	" " 1934
Albe S. Noyes	" " 1934
Mrs. Edith McKie	" " 1935
George C. Glover	" " 1935
Henry B. Alvord	" " 1935
Paul C. Dow	" " 1933
H. Florence Hoyt	" " 1933

Board of Survey

Henry B. Alvord	Term Expires 1934
Bertram E. Lovejoy	" " 1935
William E. Waterhouse	" " 1933

Fence Viewers

Daniel J. Lucey Willis A. Smith

Constables

Louis B. Heaton, 50 E. Foster Street
William T. Fahy, 134 Lynde Street
M. James Hanley, 97 Maple Street
William H. Burns, 69 Richardson Road
Frank P. Holmes, 104 W. Emerson Street
Wesley H. Murray, 119 W. Wyoming Avenue
James W. Spencer, 680 Newburyport Turnpike

Report of Board of Appeal

To His Honor the Mayor and the
Honorable Board of Aldermen,
City of Melrose, Mass.
Gentlemen:

In accordance with the provisions of Chapter XXIX of the Revised Ordinances of the City of Melrose, I have the honor to submit herewith the annual report of the Board of Appeal for the year 1932.

On February 9, 1932 the Board of Appeal organized for the ensuing year by electing Thomas L. Thistle as chairman, and reappointing Edwin H. King as clerk.

His Honor the Mayor nominated Royal B. Wills and Thomas L. Thistle as members of the Board (and the nominations were confirmed by the Board of Aldermen on February 1, 1932) for five year terms of office from the first Monday in May 1932, and both members duly qualified.

On December 16, 1932 it was voted by the Board that the Chairman communicate with the Board of Aldermen and the Planning Board by letter recommending the changing of the zone of Main Street from Rockview Avenue to the Malden line from a Residence "A" to a Business "A" district.

The Board is unanimously of the opinion that its work is largely vitiated by the failure to restrain or prosecute violations of the Zoning Ordinances.

During the year 1932 the Board held fifteen meetings at which twenty-eight Appeals from the decisions of the Building Inspector were heard, and the following is a summary of the findings of the Board:

Decision of Building Inspector upheld	15
Appeals granted	11
Appeal not in proper form for decision	1
Appeal withdrawn	1
Total number of appeals	28

Respectfully submitted,

THOMAS L. THISTLE, Chairman

Report of Board of Assessors

To His Honor the Mayor, and Board of Aldermen:
Gentlemen:

The Board of Assessors respectfully submit the following report of the Assessing Department for the year ending December 31, 1932.

Taxable Valuation of the City

Real Estate	$34,565,850.00	
Personal Estate	2,255,100.00	
Total Taxable Valuation		$36,820,950.00

Tax Rate $31.80 per $1,000.00.

BUDGET

City Budget	$1,417,292.32	
State Tax	50,797.50	
Metropolitan Sewer Tax	17,334.15	
Metropolitan Park Tax	23,671.35	
Charles River Basin Tax	3,079.18	
Metropolitan Planning Tax	207.83	
Canterbury Street Highway Tax	533.57	
Broadway-Revere Beach Crossing	220.81	
W. Roxbury-Brookline Parkway	2,367.89	
Southern Traffic Route	.90	
State Highway	80.50	
Ways in Malden, Braintree, Weymouth, Hingham	28.14	
Special State Tax, Old Age Assistance	7,116.00	
Care of Needy Civil War Veterans	456.00	
Abatement Smoke Nuisance	423.14	
Saugus Water Tax	65.00	
Metropolitan Water Tax	54,622.76	
County Tax	50,847.38	
Tuberculosis Hospital	8,893.99	
Overlay	21,674.18	$1,659,712.59

ADDENDUM

Year	Census	Dwellings	Polls	Value Buildings	Value Land	Total Val. Real Estate	Value Personal Estate	Total Valuation	Rate per $1,000	City Appropriation	Sewerage Tax	Park Tax	State Tax	County Tax	Overlay	Total Tax Levy	Year
1910	15,735	3,447	4,490	8,865,325	5,771,450	14,636,775	1,827,090	16,463,865	19.40	255,567.13	14,834.95	8,494.76	23,760.00	16,478.32	9,224.31	328,378.98	1910
1911	16,118	3,503	4,515	9,164,225	5,757,450	14,921,675	1,975,950	16,897,625	20.40	276,517.13	15,496.52	11,634.39 *4,076.16	23,760.00 *20.00	15,170.07	7,067.28	353,741.55	1911
1912	16,241	3,564	4,596	9,452,650	5,757,150	15,209,800	2,213,000	17,422,800	20.40	283,731.71	15,804.48	9,412.75 *1,323.37	27,000.00 *18.75	14,863.33	12,466.03	364,517.12	1912
1913	16,612	3,611	4,620	9,791,425	5,791,425	15,582,625	2,420,900	18,003,525	20.40	289,544.80	17,103.24	10,262.39 *1,655.79	32,640.00 *20.00	16,466.40 *1,502.39	7,316.90	376,511.91	1913
1914	17,037	3,674	4,685	10,144,550	5,816,700	15,961,250	2,606,080	18,567,330	21.70	316,917.47	17,437.18	10,558.39 1,731.04	35,700.00 67.65	19,577.92 136.46	10,154.95	412,281.06	1914
1915	17,096	3,748	4,850	10,494,300	5,823,300	16,317,600	2,623,780	18,941,380	23.70	359,106.29	17,201.57	10,796.50 1,621.29	39,780.00 52.40	20,682.55 133.25	9,236.85	458,610.70	1915
1916	17,317	3,864	4,949	10,957,650	5,891,700	16,849,350	2,795,800	19,645,150	22.00	350,771.03	16,153.54	8,183.80 *1,854.04	32,000.00 *200.00	20,650.93 *289.30	12,008.66	442,091.30	1916
1917	17,275	3,958	5,061	11,326,050	5,916,700	17,242,750	1,530,000	18,772,750	23.40	379,561.18	17,657.22	10,464.99 1,974.84	43,450.00 200.54	19,871.65 225.67	14,833.40	149,404.35 *38,835.14	1917
1918	17,353	3...64	5,043	11,519,250	5,912,150	17,431,400	1,644,975	19,076,375	23.40	413,680.07	18,851.06	10,597.62 2,007.80	43,450.00 208.65	21,532.85 235.30	11,719.08	522,252.43 *65,799.25	1918
1919	18,114	3,973	5,169	12,203,650	6,048,425	18,252,075	1,951,500	20,203,575	26.20	488,671.38	18,714.38	12,182.89 2,131.59	45,474.00 284.00	22,040.33 286.41	8,045.26	597,830.22 58,158.56	1919
1920	18,371	3,981	4,585	12,799,450	6,079,350	18,878,800	2,206,600	21,085,400	29 50	569,876.17	19,111.76	12,581.78 *2,177.13	57,174.00 *461.53	23,923.39 862.00 13,755.05	9,098.07	708,821.41 63,877.11	1920
1921	18,670	4,010	4,661	13,453,550	6,417,750	19,871,300	2,606,050	22,477,350	30.80	623,903.04	23,447.16	13,576.76 *2,254.37	57,174.00 *545.34	31,197.18 724.32	10,697.21 13,983.00	777,502.38 *61,895.00	1921
1922	18,964	4,048	5,424	14,017,500	6,469,050	20,486,550	2,617,950	23,104,500	32.60	684,835.78	21,359.60	14,037.11 2,213.39	46,560.00 557.06	29,576.48 232.67	19,182.61 16,272.00	831,826.70 *51,500.00	1922
1923	19,368	4,106	5,492	16,198,650	6,570,350	22,769,000	2,710,800	25,479,800	30.80	715,248.68	23,547.37	15,263.01 2,441.56	46,560.00 471.58	28,652.62 237.98	20,795.85 16,476.00	871,660.64 *59,422.80	1923
1924	20,197	4,208	5,658	17,404,450	6,823,800	24,228,250	2,978,700	27,206,950	30.60	772,887.24	22,848.59	15,503.70 2,388.03	38,800.00 568.00	30,876.18 249.00	20,646.66 223.34	904,991.57 *61,142.90	1924
1925	20,302	4,311	5,815	18,699,000	6,875,500	25,574,500	3,183,200	28,757,700	32.20	850,764.17	25,330.96 843.09	17,142.06 *2,593.26	47,040.00 *629.87	35,829.08 254.72	17,848.88 66.39 237.26	998,581.50 *60,983.60	1925
1926	20,865	4,449	5,994	20,467,600	7,317,500	27,785,100	3,484,900	31,270,000	32.10	925,465.94	26,278.73	19,505.23 2,603.70 3,235.32 231.68 302.58	47,040.00 436.05 408.10	39,379.87 255.04	14,812.61	1,080,024.45 *64,269.45	1926
1927	21,652	4,575	6,268	21,854,250	7,363,350	29,217,600	3,558,500	32,776,100	31.20	946,741.98	27,452.61	19,880.42 1,952.55 2,513.34 397.26	47,040.00 568.00 262.64 265.47 33 88	41,025.11 4,306.77	10,530.11	1,102,970.51 67,826 19	1927
1928	22,587	4,708	6,591	23,375,450	7,479,300	31,054,750	3,526,450	34,581,200	31.60	1,013,604.08	27,025.33	17,152.10 2,961.86 684.97 786.90 1,435 56	37,315.00 273.27 2,051.95 253.16 121 29 2 66	39,291.06 3,010 85	14,719.84	1,190,639.22 *84,691.30	1928
1929	23,440	4,858	6,684	25,120,150	7,693,400	32,813,550	2,226,125	35,039,975	33.60	1,167,879.76	26,793.55	21,063.33 3,140.37 217.11 2,279.25 11,977.86	40,800.00 276.98 107.20 40.00 291.05 296.77 597.05 3.75	46,424.10	21,885.53	1,190,711.16	1929
1930	23,566	4,912	6,826	25,861,450	7,676,600	33,538,050	2,372,000	35,910,050	33.20	1,288,131.03	18,533.02	26,965.45 4,320.09 419.85	33,600.00 668.32 6,353.30 789.18 260 00	50,722.91 5,300.77 59,803.18 5,631.87	14,101.74 15,978.06	1,451,671.66 245,806.00* 1,570,163.46 262,948.38	1930 1931
1931	23,712	4,987	7,027	26,265,500	7,792,300	34,057,800	2,480,100	36,537,900	35.20	1,394,583.11	18,525.48	25,998.96 4,619.94 740.70	36,000.00 7,027.00 590.00 665.16				
1932	23,783	5,035	7,116	26,675,850	7,787,000	34,565,850	2,255,100	36,820,950	31.80	1,327,235.27 90,057.05	17,334.15	192,873.07	50,797.50	50,847.38 8,893.99	21,674.18	1,659,712.59 467,458.38* 1,192,254.21	1932

†Other State Taxes
*Receipts

ESTIMATED RECEIPTS

Income Tax	$88,167.18	
Corporation Taxes	14,098.09	
Bank Tax	1,026.63	
Motor Excise Tax	50,000.00	
Licenses	2,900.00	
Fines	400.00	
General Government	6,800.00	
Health and Sanitation	3,700.00	
Highways	24,000.00	
Charities	2,800.00	
Miscellaneous Receipts	4,618.00	
Soldiers' Benefits	600.00	
Schools	5,600.00	
Libraries	1,300.00	
Recreation	300.00	
Water Receipts	87,603.95	
Cemeteries (other than trust funds and sale of lots)	10,000.00	
Interest on Deposits	3,100.00	
Interest on Taxes and Assessments	31,000.00	
Highway Offset	29,966.31	
Old Age Assistance Refund	9,421.17	
Available Funds	90,057.05	467,458.38
Net amount raised by taxation on Polls and Property		$1,192,254.21
Raised as follows:		
Total Valuation $36,820,950.00 at $31.80	1,170,906.21	
7116 Polls at $2.00	14,232.00	
7116 Old Age Assistance	7,116.00	1,192,254.21

Number of persons, partnerships and corporations assessed on property	5,636
Number of persons assessed for Poll Tax	7,116
Number of horses assessed	26
Number of cows assessed	169
Number of dwellings assessed	5,035

Valuation of Exempted Property

Houses of Religious Worship	$838,000.00
Literary Institutions	126,900.00
Benevolent Institutions	399,900.00
Cemeteries	17,000.00
Charitable Institutions	80,000.00

The following taxes outside that levied at the taxe rate were committed to the Collector:

Sewer Taxes apportioned.....	$12,426.38	
Sewer Taxes apportioned, Interest	5,341.64	
Sewer Taxes unapportioned	63.68	
Sewer Taxes unapportioned, Interest ...	1.92	
Sidewalk Taxes apportioned.....	13,168.20	
Sidewalk Taxes apportioned, Interest...	4,530.57	
Sidewalk Taxes unapportioned.....	59.81	
Sidewalk Taxes unapportioned, Interest	2.99	
Street Betterments apportioned.....	10,260.00	
Street Betterments apportioned, Interest	4,295.19	
Street Betterments, unapportioned.....	19.93	
Street Betterments unapportioned, Interest	1.00	$50,171.31

Respectfully submitted,

FRANK J. SHERMAN
FREDERICK W. PATTEN
JOHN C. CROLLY
Assessors

Report of Board of Health

ORGANIZATION OF BOARD

Clarence P. Holden, M.D., Chairman — Melvin S. McLeod, M.D.
Arthur A. Hayden — Lillian H. Willey, Clerk

SCHOOL PHYSICIANS

Edward L. Marr, M.D. — Kenneth L. Maclachlan, M.D.
Walter H. Flanders, M.D.

SCHOOL NURSES

Myrtle S. Meriam, R.N., Elizabeth F. Callahan, R.N.

PUBLIC HEALTH NURSE, Part Time

Myrtle S. Meriam, R.N.

INSPECTORS

Plumbing, Fred A. Young
Milk, Harold R. Munro
Food Products, Keneth B. Hadley
Animals, Bertram S. Killian

To the Honorable Mayor and Board of Aldermen,
City of Melrose, Massachusetts,
Gentlemen:—

The Board of Health hereby respectfully submits its annual report for the year ending December 31, 1932.

GENERAL HEALTH.—The total number of deaths reported to the Board of Health was 252 as against 260 for 1931. There was a noticeable increase in the number of deaths of persons over sixty years of age, there being 177 as against 157 for 1931. The rate of infant mortality remains very low.

CONTAGIOUS DISEASES—

Diphtheria, 13 cases with 2 deaths. Two carriers were identified in children removing to Melrose from outside the city.

Scarlet Fever, 133 cases with 2 deaths.

Typhoid Fever, 2 cases both contracted outside the city.

Pulmonary Tuberculosis, 15 cases and 8 deaths.

Other Forms Tuberculosis, 10 cases and 3 deaths. Expended for tuberculosis by the Board of Health $6491.70 as against $1964.39 in 1931. Expended by county warrant $8893.99 as against $5631.87 in 1931.

BAKERIES.—Inspection as required by law was carried on and all bakeries found to be in a satisfactory condition.

NUISANCES.—Number of complaints received 33, number found with no cause for complaint 5; abated 28.

BOARDING HOUSES FOR INFANTS.—The Board approved 8 applications for licenses to maintain boarding houses for infants in Melrose.

MEDICAL INSPECTION OF SCHOOL CHILDREN.—We are now in our tenth year of offering free Schick treatment for the prevention of diphtheria. 241 school children received the full course of treatment and an increased number of children of pre-school age.

Respectfully submitted,

CLARENCE P. HOLDEN
MELVIN S. McLEOD, M.D.
ARTHUR A. HAYDEN
Board of Health

Table 1

FINANCIAL STATEMENT

Total Appropriation	1931	Totals 1931 $17,246.11	1932	Totals 1932 $20,695.00
EXPENDITURES				
General Administration		$3,163.57		$3,029.12
Salary of Board	$1,632.00		$1,632.00	
Salary of Clerk	1,300.00		1,300.00	
Telephone	108.32		66.67	
Stationery, Postage and Box Rent	21.60		24.45	
Transportation and Use of Car	90.00			
Sundries	11.55		6.00	
Other Expenses		2,260.74		2,082.96
Plumbing Inspection	1,650.00		1,650.00	
Burial of Dead Animals	91.50		86.25	
Dumps and Dump Signs	22.86		1.50	
Medicine	16.64		24.04	
Office Supplies	126.72		46.81	
Transportation and Use of Car	94.16		90.00	
Ads. and Reports	24.40		4.00	
Plumbing Inspector's Car Maintenance	167.25		168.07	
Sundries	67.21		12.29	
Quarantine and Contagious Disease		2,735.40		3,750.61
Maintenance Patients in Hospitals	2,471.36		3,554.05	
Outside Aid (Quarantine)	135.00			
Transportation and Use of Car	90.00		90.00	
Anti-rabic and Immunizing Treatments	12.26		88.50	
Medical Supplies	20.53		15.81	
Sundries	6.25		2.25	
Inspection		5,259.46		5,175.00
School Physicians	900.00		900.00	
Milk Inspection	800.00		800.00	
Inspection Animals and Slaughtering	184.41		200.00	
Inspection Food Products	100.00		100.00	
Public Health and School Nurses salaries	3,175.05		3,175.00	
Transportation	100.00			
Tuberculosis		1,964.39		6,491.70
Outside Aid	492.00		346.00	
*Board and Supplies in Hospitals	1,376.00		6,141.70	
Medicine and Sputum Cups	6.39		4.00	
Transportation and Use of Car	90.00			
Care and Disposal of Stray Animals		250.00		250.00
Total Expenditures		16,655.71		$20,779.39
**Revenues of Board of Health		892.03		1,077.14
Licenses and Permits	139.50		112.50	
Reimbursements	752.53		1,077.14	
*Paid by County Warrant		5,631.87		8,893.99
**Subsidy from State	538.57		1,262.37	

TABLE II

CASES AND DEATHS OF DISEASES DANGEROUS TO THE PUBLIC HEALTH, BY MONTHS

This table includes all cases (with their deaths) irrespective of whether cases were transported into the city from elsewhere or were contracted outside of the city; also all deaths of Melrose cases dying in hospitals out of town.

Months	Diphtheria		Scarlet Fever		Typhoid Fever		Measles		Whooping Cough		Smallpox		Ophthalmia Neonatorum		Poliomyelitis		Tuberculosis						Totals for Months	
																	Pulmonary and Miliary		Meningeal		Other Forms			
	Cases	Deaths	Cases	Deaths	Cases	Deaths	Cases	Deaths	Cases	Deaths	Cases	Deaths	Cases	Deaths	Cases	Deaths	Cases	Deaths	Cases	Deaths	Cases	Deaths	Cases	Deaths
January	2	..	11	..	..	..	2	..	11	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	1	26	1
February	..	..	13	..	..	..	3	..	16	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	1	..	..	2	..	34	1
March	1	..	33	..	..	..	4	..	8	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	3	1	..	..	1	1	50	2
April	..	..	20	..	..	..	17	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	4	4	..	..	2	..	43	4
May	1	..	10	1	..	..	60	..	2	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	72	1
June	1	1	7	..	..	..	60	..	2	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	3	..	..	..	..	..	74	1
July	..	..	4	1	..	..	21	..	1	..	..	..		..	..	..	1		1	1	1	..	29	2
August	2	..	..	..	2	..	1	..	4	..	..	..		..	..	..	1		..	..	..	..	10	..
September	..	..	2	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	2	..
October	4	..	8	..	..	..	..	..	2	1	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	1	..	..	..	..	14	2
November	2	1	9	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	3	1	..	..	..	..	14	2
December	..	..	16	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	2	..	18	..
Totals	13	2	133	2	2	..	168	..	46	1	..	..	..	..	..	..	15	8	1	1	8	2	386	16

TABLE III

CASES AND DEATHS OF CERTAIN DISEASES EACH YEAR, FOR TEN YEARS

This table includes all cases (with their deaths) irrespective of whether cases were transported into the city from elsewhere or were contracted outside of the city; also all deaths of Melrose cases dying in hospitals or out of town.

Years	Diphtheria		Scarlet Fever		Typhoid Fever		Measles		Whooping Cough		Smallpox		Ophthalmia Neonatorium		Poliomyelitis		Tuberculosis					
																	Pulmonary and Miliary		Meningeal		Other Forms	
	Cases	Deaths	Cases	Deaths	Cases	Deaths	Cases	Deaths	Cases	Deaths	Cases	Deaths	Cases	Deaths	Cases	Deaths	Cases	Deaths	Cases	Deaths	Cases	Deaths
1923	14	2	10	1	3	..	156	..	67	2	..	..	..	..	..	..	24	6	..	..	3	..
1924	27	2	150	2	2	..	18	..	7	..	..	..	1	..	..	..	13	3	1	2	5	1
1925	25	3	57	2	5	..	375	..	49	2	..	..	..	..	2	..	23	12	1	1	5	3
1926	6	2	50	2	6	1	118	1	63	1	..	..	1	..	5	3	12	6	..	2	4	..
1927	5	..	77	1	10	1	162	1	24	..	..	..	2	..	4	..	19	1	3	3	14	..
1928	13	1	112	2	5	1	394	1	38	..	..	..	..	..	2	1	20	9	2	2	8	..
1929	10	2	46	..	1	..	15	1	95	1	..	..	2	..	..	..	16	4	..	..	5	3
1930	10	..	34	..	1	..	46	..	32	..	..	..	..	..	5	1	24	8	4	4	4	..
1931	8	..	77	..	8	1	33	..	15	..	..	..	..	..	6	1	19	10	..	..	1	..
1932	13	2	133	2	2	..	168	..	46	1	..	..	..	..	..	..	15	8	1	1	9	2

TABLE IV

INFANT MORTALITY

(Not including stillbirths)

YEAR 1932	Total under 1 yr.	AGES: Under 1 day	1–2 days	2–3 days	3 days to 1 week	1–2 weeks	2–3 weeks	3 weeks to 1 mo.	1–2 mos.	2–3 mos.	3–6 mos.	6–9 mos.	9–12 mos.
January	1				1								
February	1	1											
March	1				1								
April	0												
May	0												
June	3		1						1			1	
July	1				1								
August	1	1											
September	3	1	1			1							
October	0												
November	3	1		1									1
December	2	1						1					
Male	11	4	1	1	2				1			1	1
Female	5	1	1		1	1		1					
White	16	5	2	1	3	1		1	1			1	1
Colored	0												

TABLE V

INFANT MORTALITY

Class No.	YEAR 1932 Cause of Death		Total under 1 yr.	Total 1 mo. under	AGES: Under 1 day	1 to 2 days	2 to 3 days	3 days to 1 week	1 to 2 weeks	2 to 3 weeks	3 weeks to 1 month	1 to 2 months	2 to 3 months	3 to 6 months	6 to 9 months	9 to 12 months
74	Cerebral Hemorrhage	M	1	1	....	....	....	1	....	....	....	....	....	....	....	....
		F	.....	.....	....	....	....	....	....	....	....	....	....	....	....	....
101	Pneumonia	M	2	.....	....	....	....	....	....	....	....	....	....	....	1	1
		F	.....	.....	....	....	....	....	....	....	....	....	....	....	....	....
124	Other Diseases of the Liver	M	.....	.....	....	....	....	....	....	....	....	....	....	....	....	....
		F	1	1	....	....	....	....	1	....	....	....	....	....	....	....
159	Congenital Malformations (stillbirths not included)	M	2	1	1	....	....	....	....	....	....	....	....	1	....	....
		F	1	1	....	....	....	....	....	....	1	....	....	....	....	....
160	Congenital Debility, Icterus and Sclerema	M	1	1	....	....	1	....	....	....	....	....	....	....	....	....
		F	.....	.....	....	....	....	....	....	....	....	....	....	....	....	....
161	Premature Birth	M	5	5	3	1	....	1	....	....	....	....	....	....	....	....
	Injury at Birth	F	3	3	1	1	....	1	....	....	....	....	....	....	....	....

TABLE VI

CONTAGIOUS DISEASES

DISEASES		Under 5 yrs.	5–9	10–14	15–19	20–24	25–34	35–44	45–54	55–64	65–74	75 and over	Totals
Chicken Pox	M	3	11	5				1					20
	F	5	6	1									12
Diphtheria	M	2	3	2		1							8
	F		2	2		1							5
Dog-Bite	M	1	4	4	3		1	1	1	1	1		17
	F	1	3	1	1	1							7
German Measles	M		3										3
	F		2										2
Measles	M	16	53	12	2			1					84
	F	25	51	8									84
Mumps	M			2					1				3
	F		1	1		1				1			4
Pneumonia, Lobar	M	7	1	2	2	2	1		2	3	2	1	23
	F	2	2				2	2	3	3	5	1	20
Scarlet Fever	M	8	32	17	10	2		2	1				72
	F	10	28	14	5	1	3						61
Suppurative Conjunctivitis	M	3											3
	F	5											5
Tuberculosis (Pul.)	M						1	2			1		4
	F	1		1	1	3	1	2		1	1		11
Tuberculosis (Other Forms)	M	2							1				3
	F	1	1				1	1	1	1			6
Typhoid Fever	M												0
	F							1	1				2
Whooping-cough	M	12	10	1									23
	F	7	14	1						1			23

TABLE VII

INFANT MORTALITY

Year	Births	Deaths of Children under one year	Rate of Mortality of children under one year per 1,000 of children born
1926	471	19	40.34
1927	522	18	34.48
1928	562	20	35.58
1929	565	19	33.63
1930	635	27	42.52
1931	648	15	23.15
1932	579	16	27.63

There were 16 stillbirths during the year 1932.

Deaths in Melrose, 1932	Males	119
	Females	150
	Total	252

Of these deaths, children under one year..... 16
" " " persons over sixty years..... 177

Classified as follows as to cause:

		Males	Females
I	General Diseases	8	5
II	General Diseases not included in Class I	14	19
III	Diseases of the Nervous System and of the Organs of Special Sense	16	24
IV	Diseases of the Circulatory System	34	43
V	Diseases of the Respiratory System	16	15
VI	Diseases of the Digestive System	4	10
VII	Nonvenereal Diseases of the Genitourinary System and Annexa	8	3
IX	Diseases of the Skin and of the Cellular Tissue	1	0
XI	Malformations	2	1
XII	Early Infancy	6	3
XIII	Old Age	4	6
XIV	External Causes	6	4

TABLE VIII

ESTIMATED POPULATION APRIL 1, 1932, 24,062

	1927	1928	1929	1930	1931	1932
Apparent death rate per 1,000 population	11.36	11.39	11.09	13.26	11.04	10.47
*Corrected death rate per 1,000 population	10.50	11.43	10.62	10.58	9.55	10.93

*Eliminate deaths of non-residents and add deaths of Melrose residents dying elsewhere.

Report of Inspector of Plumbing

Permits granted for plumbing in new buildings	51
Permits granted for plumbing in old buildings	150
Total	201
Total number of permits, work approved	208
Number of water tests	88
Total number of visits of inspection	439
Sinks installed	110
Wash trays installed	91
Water closets installed	170
Bath tubs installed	116
Wash bowls installed	147
Pressure boilers installed	97
New buildings connected to sewer	45
New buildings connected to cesspools	13
Old buildings connected to sewer	5
Old buildings connected to new cesspools	1

Respectfully submitted,

FRED A. YOUNG,
Inspector of Plumbing

Bureau of Milk Inspection

To the Board of Health,
Melrose, Mass.,
Gentlemen:—

I hereby respectfully submit the annual report on milk inspection for the year ending December 31, 1932.

INSPECTIONS:

Pasteurizing Plants	137
Dairies within city limits	174
Dairies outside city limits	12
Dairies reinspected	9
Stores	122

SAMPLES COLLECTED:

Market milk	180
Grade A	123
Mass. Grade A	21
Raw	32
Other Grades	25
Cream	28
Ice Cream	12

LABORATORY REPORT:

Milk, Chemical		419
Below standard, raw milk	6	
Milk, bacterial count		421
Above legal standard, market milk	2	
Grade "A"	1	
Raw	13	
Slack-Warner examination	19	
Milk condemned as unfit	0	
Cows ordered slaughtered	4	

Licenses and permits issued:

Oleomargerine	11
Milk, stores and dealers	106
Pasteurizing plants	2
Licenses and permits revoked	1
Court convictions	1

Milk produced within the city limits	1400 quarts
Milk pasteurized within the city limits	2000 quarts

Milk sold within city limits as per dealers declarations:

Retail	12,100	quarts daily
Wholesale	3,200	" "
Cream	400	" "

Report showing quality of milk sold in Melrose,

Averages for the year 1932

DEALER	Milk Fat %	Total Solids	Bacterial Count
STANDARDS			
Market Milk Pasteurized	3.35	12.00	50,000
Boyd, M. S.	4.23	13.50	15,000
Forbes Milk Co.	4.28	13.29	7,400
Goodwill Dairy (Bedford Farms)	4.17	13.00	8,900
Haley, Frank	4.13	12.98	5,200
Hampden Creamery	4.56	12.99	12,000
Hancock, E. W.	3.80	12.58	11,500
Hood, H. P. & Sons	3.97	12.72	3,100
Jewell, Dana	4.10	12.63	11,500
Jones, W. T.	4.14	13.05	4,700
Kiley, Robert	4.09	12.93	2,400
McAdams, John F. & Bros.	4.10	12.86	10,300
Palmer, Harry	4.26	13.20	2,200
Penney, William	4.20	12.93	6,400
Pine Tree Dairy	4.20	13.18	10,500
Potts & Harding	4.03	12.74	6,700
Rautenberg, Adolph	3.93	12.68	7,700
Shawsheen Dairy	4.17	13.06	2,200
Spear, C. W.	4.05	12.88	9,900
Vittorioso, Umberto (Victor)	3.94	12.87	6,800
Whiting Milk Companies	3.84	12.75	6,600
Average	4.09	12.81	6,800
Market Milk Raw			
Fyfe, Wm. J.	4.21	12.33	12,600
Manning, J. S.	3.90	12.73	53,000
Penney, H. J.	3.70	12.30	454,000
Average	3.92	12.77	180,000
STANDARDS			
Grade A	4.00		25,000
Boyd, M. S.	4.37	13.26	13,000
Forbes Milk Co.	4.70	13.97	3,100

Goodwill Dairy (Bedford Farms)	4.47	13.35	3,000
Haley, Frank	4.40	13.30	1,000
Hood, H. P. & Sons	4.21	13.04	1,400
Jewell, Dana	4.40	13.10	3,300
Jones, W. T.	4.52	13.47	2,000
Kiley, Robert J.	4.20	13.19	1,600
McAdams, John F. & Bros.	4.40	13.27	1,400
New England Creamery Products	4.40	13.26	2,500
Palmer, Harry	4.46	13.40	1,500
Pine Tree Dairy	4.46	13.38	7,800
Potts & Harding	4.18	13.00	1,200
Rautenberg, Adolph	4.24	13.13	4,800
Shawsheen Dairy	4.50	13.55	1,200
Spear, C. W.	4.38	13.33	6,700
Vittorioso, Umberto (Victor)	4.43	13.17	1,000
Whiting Milk Companies	4.13	13.00	2,700
Average	4.66	13.20	2,700

Mass. Grade A Pasteurized

Quinn, M. J.	4.15	12.90	2,000
Howard Farm	3.88	12.63	10,400
Average	4.02	12.77	6,050

Special Grades

Hood, H. P. & Sons			
Golden Crest	4.10	12.98	4,000
New England Creamery Products			
Blue Seal	4.20	12.95	4,000
Red Seal	4.08	13.00	4,700
Whiting Milk Companies			
Old Homestead	5.16	14.04	4,400

Respectfully submitted,

HAROLD R. MUNRO,
Inspector of Milk

Report of the Inspector of Animals

To the Board of Health,
Melrose, Mass.,
Gentlemen:—

I have conducted an examination of all cattle and the premises upon which this cattle is kept and found all such to be in a healthy and sanitary condition. I have also examined a number of head of cattle shipped into the city and have found them to be in good condition.

I have also examined a number of dogs involved in dog-bite cases and have failed to uncover any cases of rabies in Melrose.

Signed, B. S. KILLIAN,
Inspector of Animals

Report of the City Physician

Visits made for the Department of Public Welfare:	
To patients in their homes	450
Office calls	243
Hospital calls	26
Visits made for the Health Department:	
To patients in their homes	93
Visits of inspection and consultation	187
Visits for the Police Department	12
Examinations, order of the Mayor	8
Vaccinations	121

Respectfully submitted,

CLARENCE P. HOLDEN, M.D.
City Physician

Report of Board of Survey

To the Honorable Mayor and Board of Aldermen,
Melrose, Mass.
Gentlemen:

The annual report of the Board of Survey for the year ending December 31, 1932 is hereby submitted.

At a meeting held February 17, 1932 the Board voted to accept the relocation plan and change in the grade on Pearl Street from Damon Avenue easterly to Cochrane Street, providing the plan was drawn so as to show only the easterly half of Damon Avenue, that the street lines at the westerly end be changed so that when prolonged through they would meet the easterly end of Pearl Street, as now laid out, and that the corners be rounded.

A change in the grade on Cochrane Street was accepted provided the grade was adjusted to take out the low place near Boardman Avenue and allow water to run freely into Boardman Avenue.

It was voted to tentatively approve a sketch of layout of Damon Avenue, on land now or formerly of Cochrane, if corners were rounded to provide that a street might be laid out extending from Damon Avenue westerly toward Ruggles Street.

A plan of Lincoln Street and Burrell Street made by John Rand, Surveyor, was accepted subject to the approval of the Engineer and Superintendent of Public Works.

A public hearing was advertised on the petition of Clayton S. Greene and others to change the name of the unaccepted portion of a street running southerly from Beech Avenue to Harold Street, now known as Florence Avenue, to Birch Hill Road. The hearing was held on December 12, 1932. No persons appeared in connection with the hearing so the meeting was adjourned.

FINANCIAL STATEMENT

Board of Survey—Other Expenses

Appropriation		$25.00
Expended:		
Advertising	$3.50	3.50
Balance		$21.50

Resectfully submitted,

WILLIAM E. WATERHOUSE, Chairman
Board of Survey

Report of Wyoming Cemetery Committee

To the Honorable Mayor and Board of Aldermen:
City of Melrose, Mass.

In accordance with the provisions of Chapter 22, Section 5, Revised Ordinances of 1932, City of Melrose, the Cemetery Committee herewith submits its report for the year ending December 31, 1932.

APPROPRIATIONS

Maintenance, Improvements, Care of Soldiers' Graves	$20,000.00	
Water Rates	100.00	$20,100.00

EXPENDITURES

Appropriation		$20,000.00
Labor (Pay Rolls)	$17,292.25	
Cemetery supplies	1,518.07	
Office expenses	360.33	
Gas, oil, truck expenses	464.90	
Insurance	214.72	
Shrubs, seeds, etc.	47.43	
Miscellaneous	51.97	
Unexpended balance	66.65	$100.00

Water Rates

Appropriation		$100.00
Water bill	$33.35	
Unexpended balance	66.65	$100.00

RECEIPTS

Sale, Rights of Burial, Lots	$3,287.00	
Sale, Rights of Burial, Graves	2,035.00	
Perpetual Care	4,024.50	
Annual Care	1,169.00	
Interments	2,684.00	
Slate and Cement Vaults	130.00	
Lowering device	234.00	
Green graves	351.00	
Foundations	666.50	
Rentals	110.00	
Miscellaneous	260.40	
Interest, Perpetual Trust Fund	5,622.65	$20,574.05

Respectfully submitted,

CARL F. SHAW, Chairman

REPORT OF SUPERINTENDENT

Wyoming Cemetery Committee,
Melrose, Massachusetts.
Gentlemen:

The following is a report of the Superintendent of Wyoming Cemetery for the year ending December 31, 1932.

Total number of interments to Jan. 1, 1932	10,181
Interments during 1932	232
Total number of interments to Jan. 1, 1933	10,413
Rights of Burial, Lots, sold, to Jan. 1, 1932	1,960
Rights of Burial, Lots, sold, during 1932	32
Total Rights of Burial, Lots, sold, to Jan. 1, 1933	1,992
Rights of Burial, Single Graves, sold, to Jan. 1, 1932	2,381
Rights of Burial, Single Graves, sold, during 1932	96
Total Rights of Burial, Single Graves, sold, to Jan. 1, 1933	2,477
Total number of lots under Perpetuai Care, Jan. 1, 1933	1,198
Total number of Single Graves under Perpetual Care, Jan. 1, 1933	1,052
Total number of lots available for sale, Jan. 1, 1933	215

During 1932 the Cemetery Department has created work for many men sent by the Unemployment Committee; $7,277.50 was allotted to the Cemetery Department by the Unemployment Committee of which $7,276.15 was spent for labor, leaving an unexpended balance of $1.35.

Respectfully submitted,

R. A. LEAVITT
Superintendent

Report of City Auditor

To the Honorable Mayor and Board of Aldermen.
Gentlemen:

I submit herewith the annual report of the City Auditor for the year ending December 31, 1932.

I have changed the form of the report of this year over prior years by tabulating the statements of the various departments so as to show total debits and credits for each department as well as making the report more condensed. Other accounts such as Estimated Receipts, Revenue and Assessments set forth more detail than in former years.

The several Trust Funds under the control of the City Treasurer were examined and these accounts were found to be as set forth in the Treasurer's Report.

Respectfully submitted,

GARDNER B. WARDWELL,
City Auditor

FINANCES

The Assessed Valuation of the City April 1, 1932 was:	
Real Estate	$34,565,850.00
Personal Estate	2,255,100.00
Total	$36,820,950.00
Increase in Valuation from April 1, 1931 to April 1, 1932	$283,050.00
Number of Dwellings April 1, 1932	5,035
Number of Polls April 1, 1932	7,116
Population	23,783
Rate of Taxation for $1,000.00 April 1, 1932	$31.80
Appropriations:	
City Budget	1,325,586.98
Additional Orders	1,648.29
Old Age Assistance Tax	7,116.00
State Tax	50,797.50
Metropolitan Sewer Tax	17,334.15
Metropolitan Park Tax	23,671.35
Charles River Basin Tax	3,079.18
Metropolitan Planning Tax	207.83
Broadway and Revere Beach Crossing Tax	220.81
Canterbury Street Highway Tax	533.57
West Roxbury, Brookline Parkway Tax	2,367.89
Southern Traffic Route Tax	.90

Ways in Malden, Braintree, Weymouth and Hingham Tax		28.14
Care of Needy Civil War Veterans, Wives and Widows' Tax		456.00
Abatement of Smoke Nuisance Tax		423.14
State Highway Tax		80.50
Saugus Water Tax		65.00
Metropolitan Water Tax		54,622.76
County Tax		50,847.38
County Tuberculosis Tax		8,893.99
Overlay		21,674.18
Assessments and Interest added to Taxes		50,151.90
		$1,619,807.44
Less:—Estimated Receipts		377,401.33
Total Amount to be Raised		$1,242,406.11
Raised as follows:—		
Poll and Old Age Assistance Tax		$21,348.00
Assessments and Interest		50,151.90
Taxes on Real and Personal Estate		1,170,906.21
Total		$1,242,406.11

BONDED DEBT

Bonded Debt December 31,1931		$980,000.00
Increase in School Bonds		650,000.00
		$1,630,000.00
Decrease in Bonds:—		
Surface Drainage	$12,000.00	
School	91,000.00	
Sewer	25,500.00	
Water	35,000.00	
Auditorium and Memorial Building	2,000.00	
City Hall Extension	3,000.00	
City Stables	2,000.00	
Fire Station	3,000.00	
Municipal Garage	1,000.00	174,500.00
Total Bonded Debt December 31, 1932		$1,455,500.00

Increase $475,550.00.

MUNICIPAL DEBT NOTES

Total Outstanding December 31, 1931	$165,000.00
Notes Paid in 1932	43,000.00
Total Outstanding December 31, 1932	$122,000.00

Municipal Notes due 1933	$35,000.00	
1934	31,000.00	
1935	23,000.00	
1936	11,000.00	
1937	11,000.00	
1938	7,000.00	
1939	2,000.00	
1940	2,000.00	$122,000.00

BONDED DEBT DECEMBER 31, 1932

Surface Drainage	$85,500.00	
School	$1,054,000.00	
Sewer	159,000.00	
Water	59,000.00	
Auditorium and Memorial Building	20,000.00	
City Hall Extension	32,000.00	
City Stables	18,000.00	
Fire Station	23,000.00	
Municipal Garage	5,000.00	$1,455,500.00

RECAPITULATION OF CITY DEBT

Total Debt December 31, 1932		$1,577,500.00
Total Debt December 31, 1931		1,145,000.00
Increase 1932		$432,500.00
Increase in Bonds	$475,500.00	
Decrease in Notes	43,000.00	$432,500.00

CASH ACCOUNT FOR 1932

Cash on hand December 31, 1931		$177,398.92
Receipts:—		
January 1 to December 31, 1932		3,604,984.85
		$3,782,383.77
Payments:—		
January 1 to December 31, 1932		$3,384,812.19
Cash on hand December 31, 1932		397,571.58
		$3,782,383.77

ESTIMATED RECEIPTS

Receipts:—		
Cash:		
From the State:		
Corporation Tax—		
Business	$5,926.58	
Gas and Electric	7,073.69	
Railroads and Telephone	2,105.59	
Trust Company Tax Trust	476.10	
National Bank Tax	433.93	
Old Age Assistance	9,063.00	
Veterans' Exemption	390.73	
Refunds—Ways in Brookline, etc., Tax	52.69	
Income Tax	94,548.30	
Armory	900.00	
Gasoline Tax	29,966.31	
Military and State Aid	2,202.00	
Motor Excise Tax	47,537.06	
Interest on Taxes and Assessments	43,905.10	
Water Rates and Summonses	91,558.55	
Income from Cemetery Trust Fund	5,622.65	
Sundry Accounts	56,132.14	$397,894.42
Transfers from Tax Title Redemptions		24.40
Audit Adjustments		151.00
		$398,069.82

Expended:		
Refunds—Motor Excise Tax	$636.43	
Water Rates and Summonses	612.38	
Interest on Taxes and Assessments	5.38	
State—Trust Company Taxes	113.73	
National Bank Taxes	26.98	
Collector's Receipts	.70	
City Clerk's Receipts	30.00	
Police Fines and Forfeits	85.20	
Audit Adjustments	43.86	
Assessors' Warrant	374,983.28	
Balance transferred to Excess and Deficiency	21,531.88	$398,069.82

EXCESS AND DEFICIENCY

Receipts:

Credits:		
Balance from 1931		$232,274.97
Adjustment of 1926 Taxes		.25
Sundry Accounts Transfers		61,927.00
Audit Adjustments		769.47
Total		$294,971.69
Charges:		
Sundry Accounts Transfers	$14,248.35	
Adjustment of 1926 Taxes	11.33	
Adjustment of 1925 Taxes	.04	
Audit Adjustments	154.86	
Transfer Orders	54,830.56	
Balance to 1933	225,726.55	
Total		$294,971.69

REVENUE

Taxes 1925—Refund	$16.10	
Balance from 1931		$3.18
Adjustment		.04
Abatement		12.88
	16.10	$16.10
Taxes 1926—Balance from 1931	$23.92	
Adjustment	.25	
Tax Titles		$9.63
Adjustment		11.33
Abatement		3.21
	$24.17	$24.17
Taxes 1927—Balance from 1931	$662.69	
Audit Adjustment	48.13	
Cash		$12.48
Abatements		231.44
Audit Adjustment		100.00
Balance to 1933		366.90
	$710.82	$710.82

Taxes 1928—Balance from 1931		$2,297.47	
	Audit Adjustment	145.47	
	Cash		$482.66
	Tax Titles		913.24
	Abatements		524.72
	Audit Adjustments		100.40
	Balance to 1933		421.92
		$2,442.94	2,442.94
Taxes 1929—Balance from 1931		$21,956.72	
	Audit Adjustment	765.41	
	Cash		$15,208.86
	Abatements		2,127.23
	Tax Titles		3,390.90
	Audit Adjustment		279.50
	Balance to 1933		1,715.64
		$22,722.13	$22,722.13
Taxes 1930—Balance from 1931		$109,145.10	
	Refund	16.60	
	Audit Adjustment	174.16	
	Cash		$83,843.29
	Abatements		2,707.26
	Tax Titles		2,808.72
	Audit Adjustment		16.13
	Balance to 1933		19,960.46
		$109,335.86	$109,335.86
Taxes 1931—Balance from 1931		$514,684.62	
	Refunds	84.58	
	Audit Adjustment	744.28	
	Cash		$371,217.59
	Abatements		6,558.61
	Tax Titles		3,481.28
	Audit Adjustment		668.89
	Balance to 1933		133,587.11
		$515,513.48	$515,513.48
Taxes 1932—Assessors' Warrant		$1,185,520.21	
	Refunds	66.42	
	Cash		$680,501.95
	Abatements		7,911.53
	Tax Titles		3,342.18
	Balance to 1933		493,830.97
		$1,185,586.63	$1,185,586.63

Motor Excise Tax 1929—		
Balance from 1930	$3,486.01	
Audit Adjustment	37.34	
Collected and Abated		$2,908.64
Audit Adjustment		428.51
Balance to 1933		186.20
	$3,523.35	$3,523.35
Motor Excise Tax 1930—		
Balance from 1931	$4,095.86	
Audit Adjustment	.58	
Collected and Abated		$740.33
Audit Adjustment		2.00
Balance to 1933		3,354.11
	$4,096.44	$4,096.44
Motor Excise Tax 1931—		
Balance from 1931	$8,416.80	
Additional Warrants	286.29	
Audit Adjustment	3.00	
Collected and Abated		$4,612.50
Audit Adjustment		199.43
Balance to 1933		3,894.16
	$8,706.09	$8,706.09
Motor Excise Tax 1932—		
Assessors' Warrants	$53,125.41	
Collected and Abated		$45,098.83
Balance to 1933		8,026.58
	$53,125.41	$53,125.41
Old Age Assistance Tax 1931—		
Balance from 1931	$1,028.00	
Additional Commitments	121.00	
Cash		$1,142.00
Balance to 1933		7.00
	$1,149.00	$1,149.00
Old Age Assistance Tax 1932—		
Assessors' Warrants	$7,307.00	
Refunds	3.00	
Cash		$5,885.00
Balance to 1933		1,425.00
	$7,310.00	$7,310.00

TAX TITLES

Balance from 1931	$9,384.61	
Additions	15,065.98	
Refunds	302.40	
Cash—Redemptions		$12,104.06
Foreclosures and Lands of Low Value		1,187.65
Audit Adjustments		372.80
Balance to 1933		11,088.48
	$24,752.99	$24,752.99

REAL ESTATE POSSESSIONS

Balance from 1931	$15,673.39	
Additions from Tax Titles	1,187.65	
Value of Land Sold		$1,665.92
Audit Adjustments		879.91
Balance to 1933		14,315.21
	$16,861.04	$16,861.04

SEWER ASSESSMENTS

Unapportioned

Balance from 1931	$17,143.10	
Commitments	15,508.18	
Audit Adjustments	18.66	
Collected, Apportioned and Abated		$32,580.32
Audit Adjustment		89.62
	$32,669.94	$32,669.94

Added to Taxes

Balance from 1931	$7,099.74	
Adjustment	7.48	
Audit Adjustment	12,732.77	
Collected and Abated		$10,404.51
Audit Adjustment		615.33
Tax Titles		59.12
Balance to 1933		8,761.03
	$19,839.99	$19,839.99

Apportioned

Balance from 1931	$57,662.99	
Additional Apportionments	30,229.93	
Audit Adjustment	151.21	
Collected and Abated		$1,475.56
Audit Adjustment		12,426.38
Balance to 1933		74,142.19
	$88,044.13	$88,044.13

UNAPPORTIONED SUSPENDED ASSESSMENTS NOT DUE

Audit Adjustment	$9,979.87	
Balance to 1933		$9,979.87
	$9,979.87	$9,979.87

SIDEWALK ASSESSMENTS

Unapportioned

Balance from 1931	$12,285.07	
Commitments	18,082.87	
Collected, Apportioned and Abated		$29,838.29
Audit Adjustment		59.81
Balance to 1933		469.84
	$30,367.94	$30,367.94

Added to Taxes

Balance from 1931	$6,396.12	
Audit Adjustment	13,519.20	
Collected and Abated		$11,826.98
Audit Adjustment		516.87
Tax Titles		140.60
Balance to 1933		7,430.87
	$19,915.32	$19,915.32

Apportioned

Balance from 1931	$59,321.14	
Additional Apportionments	25,170.74	
Audit Adjustment	5.26	
Collected and Abated		$1,735.20
Audit Adjustment		13,178.06
Balance to 1933		69,583.88
	$84,497.14	$84,497.14

STREET BETTERMENT ASSESSMENTS

Unapportioned

Balance from 1931	$37,020.97	
Collected, Apportioned and Abated		$37,001.04
Audit Adjustment		19.93
	$37,020.97	$37,020.97

Added to Taxes

Balance from 1931	$4,449.48	
Audit Adjustment	10,365.72	
Collected and Abated		$ 7,903.60
Audit Adjustment		467.96
Balance to 1933		6,443.64
	$14,815.20	$14,815.20

Apportioned

Balance from 1931	$44,559.83	
Additional Apportionments	31,848.42	
Collected and Abated		$440.21
Audit Adjustment		10,260.60
Balance to 1933		65,707.44
	$76,408.25	$76,408.25

COMMITTED INTEREST

Sewer

Balance from 1931	$2,301.31	
Adjustment	14.59	
Audit Adjustment	5,507.44	
Collected and Abated		$4,267.65
Tax Titles		23.54
Adjustment		.71
Audit Adjustment		165.93
Balance to 1933		3,365.51
	$7,823.34	$7,823.34

Sidewalk

Balance from 1931	$2,197.91	
Adjustment	.55	
Audit Adjustment	4,619.58	
Collected and Abated		$3,973.33
Tax Titles		58.59
Audit Adjustment		173.82
Balance to 1933		2,612.30
	$6,818.04	$6,818.04

Street Betterments

Balance from 1931	$1,656.78	
Audit Adjustment	4,356.94	
Collected and Abated		$3,158.24
Adjustment		3.05
Audit Adjustment		173.50
Balance to 1933		2,678.93
	$6,013.72	$6,013.72

Water Rates

Balance from 1931	$14,491.17	
Commitments	82,943.85	
Audit Adjustment	1,787.49	
Collected and Abated		$81,945.63
Adjustment		.60
Audit Adjustment		409.51
Balance to 1933		16,866.77
	$99,222.51	$99,222.51

DEPARTMENTAL ACCOUNTS RECEIVABLE

Committed	$2,212.00	
Estimated Receipts		$2,202.00
Balance to 1933		10.00
	$2,212.00	$2,212.00

GRANTS AND GIFTS

Receipts:		
Cash—Middlesex County Dog Tax	$2,418.05	
Unemployment Committee	23,190.45	
Individual—Park Department—Unemployed	200.00	
Park Department—Unemployed Insurance	34.07	
Welfare Department—Melrose Rotary Club	139.00	$25,981.57
Charges:		
Transferred to Revenue 1932	$2,418.05	
Transferred to Unemployment Account	23,190.45	
Transfer Order to Park Department	200.00	
Transfer Order to Park Department	34.07	
Transfer Order to Welfare Dept.	139.00	$25,981.57

SINKING FUND SURPLUS ACCOUNT

Balance from 1931		$1,511.27
Transfer Order to Soldiers' Relief	$1,000.00	
Balance to 1933	511.27	
	$1,511.27	$1,511.27

TAILINGS ACCOUNT

Balance from 1931		$426.60
Cash Receipts		263.97
Pay Roll	$21.07	
Balance to 1933	669.50	
	$690.57	$690.57

PREMIUM FUNDS

Balance from 1931		$159.74
Transferred to Excess and Deficiency...	$159.74	
	$159.74	$159.74

TEMPORARY LOANS

Balance from 1931		$350,000.00
Loans Issued		1,300,000.00
Loans Paid	$1,250,000.00	
Balance to 1933	400,000.00	
	$1,650,000.00	$1,650,000.00

BALANCE SHEET—DECEMBER 31, 1932

REVENUE ACCOUNTS

Assets

Cash—In Banks and Office		$56,350.86
Accounts Receivable:		
Taxes 1927	$366.90	
Taxes 1928	421.92	
Taxes 1929	1,715.64	
Taxes 1930	19,960.46	
Taxes 1931	133,587.11	
Taxes 1932	493,830.97	649,883.00
Motor Excise Tax 1929	186.20	
Motor Excise Tax 1930	3,354.11	
Motor Excise Tax 1931	3,894.16	
Motor Excise Tax 1932	8,026.58	15,461.05
Old Age Assistance Tax 1931	7.00	
Old Age Assistance Tax 1932	1,425.00	1,432.00
Street Sprinkling Tax 1921		11.20
Sewer Accounts:		
Added to Taxes 1924	33.13	
Added to Taxes 1927	261.32	
Added to Taxes 1928	137.64	
Added to Taxes 1929	26.07	
Added to Taxes 1930	263.55	
Added to Taxes 1931	1,865.33	
Added to Taxes 1932	6,173.99	
Suspended—Not Due	9,979.87	
Apportioned—Not Due	74,142.19	92,883.09
Sidewalk Accounts:		
Added to Taxes 1927	66.91	
Added to Taxes 1928	34.66	
Added to Taxes 1929	49.17	
Added to Taxes 1930	102.51	
Added to Taxes 1931	1,109.95	
Added to Taxes 1932	6,076.67	
Unapportioned	469.84	
Apportioned—Not Due	69,583.88	77,484.59
Street Betterment Accounts:		
Added to Taxes 1924	17.64	
Added to Taxes 1929	34.63	
Added to Taxes 1930	184.39	
Added to Taxes 1931	795.69	
Added to Taxes 1932	5,428.93	
Apportioned—Not Due	65,707.44	72,168.72
Committed Interest Accounts:		
Sewer	3,365.51	
Sidewalk	2,612.30	
Street Betterments	2,678.93	8,656.74
Tax Titles and City Possessions		25,403.69
Departmental Bills Receivable:		
Water Rates	16,866.77	
Commonwealth of Massachusetts	10.00	16,876.77
Overdrawn Accounts:		
Park Dept. Playground Salaries and Wages	17.98	
Water Division, Inside Service	1,438.41	1,456.39
Total		$1,018,068.10

NON-REVENUE ACCOUNTS

Assets

Cash—In Banks and Office	$341,220.72
Overdrawn Accounts:	
Sewer Division, Private Sewers	83.75
	$341,304.47

BALANCE SHEET—DECEMBER 31, 1932

REVENUE ACCOUNTS

Liabilities

Temporary Loans		$400,000.00
Unclaimed Bills and Wages		669.50
Overlay for Taxes 1927 to 1932		24,709.19
Appropriation Balances		19,732.75
Trust Funds:		
E. Toothaker Fund	$414.27	
A. C. Marie Currier Fund	379.15	793.42
Reserved for Appropriation:		
Sewer Assessment Reserve	6,568.19	
Sidewalk Assessment Reserve	15,098.49	
Street Betterments Assessment Reserve	9,057.51	30,724.19
Revenue Reserved Until Collected		
Motor Excise Tax	15,461.05	
Special Assessments Due	23,134.22	
Special Assessments Not Due	219,413.38	
Committed Interest	8,656.74	
Sundry Committed Account	10.00	
Water Rates	16,866.77	
Tax Titles and City Possessions	25,403.69	308,945.85
Overlay Surplus		6,255.38
Sinking Fund Surplus		511.27
Excess and Deficiency		225,726.55
Total		$1,018,068.10

NON-REVENUE ACCOUNTS

Liabilities

Appropriation Balances	$341,304.47

Department	Appropriation	Credit Transfers	Revenue Orders	Balances From Previous Year Refunds and Receipts	Total Credits	Expended	Debit Transfers	Total Debits	Balance To Excess and Deficiency	Balance To 1933
GENERAL GOVERNMENT										
Aldermen:										
Salaries and Wages	$1,200.00			$	$1,200.00	$1,200.00		$1,200.00		
Other Expenses	1,000.00	136.00			1,136.00	549.14	264.50	813.64	322.36	
Mayor:										
Salaries and Wages	4,380.00				4,380.00	4,330.00		4,330.00	50.00	
Other Expenses	300.00				300.00	217.02		217.02	82.98	
Auditor:										
Salaries and Wages	4,841.43				4,841.43	4,841.43		4,841.43		
Other Expenses	301.00				301.00	259.88		259.88	41.12	
Printing Particular Account	75.00				75.00	31.50		31.50	43.50	
Treasurer:										
Salaries and Wages	4,830.00				4,830.00	4,830.00		4,830.00		
Other Expenses	700.00	80.00			780.00	780.00		780.00		
Certification of Bonds and Notes	1,500.00				1,500.00	1,305.00		1,305.00	195.00	
Land Court Procedure	500.00				500.00	45.28	80.00	125.28	374.72	
Collector:										
Salaries and Wages	5,500.00	202.00	400.00		6,102.00	6,102.00		6,102.00		
Other Expenses	1,800.00	135.00	100.00		2,035.00	1,884.03		1,884.03	150.97	
Assessors:										
Salaries and Wages	7,780.00	60.00			7,840.00	7,835.53		7,835.53	4.47	
Other Expenses	1,400.00				1,400.00	1,332.50	60.00	1,392.50	7.50	
City Clerk:										
Salaries and Wages	5,186.00	6.00			5,192.00	5,192.00		5,192.00		
Other Expenses	400.00	85.00			485.00	478.63	6.00	484.63	.37	
City Solicitor:										
Salaries and Wages	1,500.00				1,500.00	1,500.00		1,500.00		
Other Expenses	75.00				75.00	67.23		67.23	7.77	
Legal Advice on R. Estate Values		500.00			500.00	500.00				500.00

City Physician:										
Salaries and Wages.....	1,000.00				1,000.00	1,000.00		1,000.00		
Election and Registration:										
Salaries and Wages.....	4,415.00				4,415.00	4,223.75	100.03	4,323.78	91.22	
Other Expenses	1,450.00	15.03			1,465.03	1,459.35		1,459.35	5.68	
Planning Board:										
Other Expenses	200.00				200.00	199.97		199.97	.03	
Unemployment Fund		37.50			37.50	37.50		37.50		
Board of Survey:										
Other Expenses	25.00				25.00	3.50		3.50	21.50	
Garage and License Commission:										
Other Expenses	125.00				125.00	87.50		87.50	37.50	
Board of Appeal:										
Salaries and Wages.....	$100.00				100.00	100.00		100.00		
Other Expenses	80.00	50.00			130.00	104.89		104.89	25.11	
Printing Zoning Ordinances.....	60.00				60.00	60.00		60.00		
Fence Viewers:										
Other Expenses	25.00				25.00				25.00	
Public Works Department:										
Salaries and Wages.....	13,000.00	600.00			13,000.00	13,577.92		13,577.92	22.08	
Other Expenses	600.00				600.00	598.05		598.05	1.95	
Vacations	6,900.00				6,900.00	6,778.70		6,778.70	121.30	
Unemployment ½		200.00		47.00	247.00	216.00		216.00	31.00	
Engineers:										
Salaries and Wages.....	7,515.00				7,515.00	7,466.91		7,466.91	48.09	
Other Expenses	1,100.00				1,100.00	1,037.46		1,037.46	62.54	
City Hall										
Salaries and Wages.....	3,340.00				3,340.00	3,200.36		3,200.36	139.64	
Other Expenses	3,000.00	150.00			3,150.00	3,134.82		3,134.82	15.18	
Auditorium:										
Salaries and Wages.....	3,310.00				3,310.00	3,228.89		3,228.89	81.11	
Other Expenses	2,400.00			.51	2,400.51	2,183.38		2,183.38	217.13	
TOTALS	$91,913.43	$2,256.53	$500.00	$47.51	$94,717.47	$91,480.12	$510.53	$91,990.65	$2,226.82	$500.00

Department	Appropriation	Credit Transfers	Revenue Orders	Balances From Previous Year Refunds and Receipts	Total Credits	Expended	Debit Transfers	Total Debits	Balance To Excess and Deficiency	Balance To 1933
PROTECTION OF LIFE AND PROPERTY										
Police Department:										
Salaries and Wages	$70,324.80	$50.00			$70,374.80	$70,324.80		$70.324.80	$50.00	
Equipment and Repairs	1,300.00			5.00	1,305.00	1,300.54		1,300.54	4.46	
Other Expenses	1,150.00				1,150.00	1,149.98		1,149.98	.02	
Signal Box Maintenance	2,650.00				2,650.00	2,482.59		2,482.59	167.41	
Ambulance Fund				409.53	409.53	92.19		92.19		317.34
Mechanician Salary	400.00				400.00	400.00		400.00		
Purchase of New Uniforms	75.00				75.00	22.75	50.00	72.75	2.25	
Teletype Service	600.00				600.00	600.00		600.00		
Fire Department:										
Salaries and Wages	77,000.00	600.00			77,600.00	77,571.75		77,571.75	28.25	
Fuel and Light	1,700.00				1,700.00	1,574.21		1,574.21	125.79	
Equipment and Repairs	2,000.00				2,000.00	1,946.21		1,946.21	53.79	
Repairs on Buildings	1,300.00				1,300.00	787.02	500.00	1,287.02	12.98	
Other Expenses	1,340.00				1,340.00	1,191.44	100.00	1,291.44	48.56	
Fire Alarm Maintenance	4,800.00				4,800.00	4,714.33		4714.33	85.67	
New Hose	850.00				850.00	835.45		835.45	14.55	
Hydrant Rentals	9,420.00				9,420.00	9,420.00		9,420.00		
Inspection of Buildings:										
Salaries and Wages	1,560.00				1,560.00	1,560.00		1,560.00		
Other Expenses	177.25				177.25	126.04		126.04	51.21	
Printing Revised Bldg. Code	150.00				150.00	150.00		150.00		
Printing Revised Plumb. Ord.	15.00				15.00	15.00		**15.00**		
Inspection of Wires:										
Salaries and Wages	$2,500.00				2,500.00	2,500.00		2,500.00		
Other Expenses	85.00				85.00	53.53		53.53	31.47	

Sealer of Weights and Measures:									
Salaries and Wages	1,000.00			1,000.00	1,000.00		1,000.00		
Other Expenses	325.00			325.00	324.01		324.01	.99	
Forestry:									
Care of Trees	3,000.00		100.90	3,100.90	3,100.90		3,100.90		
Planting New Trees	300.00			300.00	199.10		199.10	100.90	
Other Protection:									
Dog Officer			7.00	7.00	7.00		7.00		
TOTALS	$184,022.05	$650.00	$522.43	$185,194.48	$183,448.84	$650.00	$184,098.84	$778.30	$317.34

HEALTH AND SANITATION

Health Department:									
General Administration	$3,100.00			$3,100.00	$3,029.12	$50.00	$3,079.12	$20.88	
Quarantine and Contagious Diseases	2,500.00	1,200.00	55.00	3,755.00	3,750.61		3,750.61	4.39	
Tuberculosis	4,000.00	2,500.00		6,500.00	6,491.70		6,491.70	8.30	
Vital Statistics—Other Expenses	250.00			250.00	220.25		220.25	29.75	
Other Expenses	1,970.00	50.00	84.04	2,104.04	2,082.96		2,082.96	21.08	
Inspection of Food Products	100.00			100.00	100.00		100.00		
Inspection of School Children	900.00			900.00	900.00		900.00		
Insp. of Animals and Slaughtering	200.00			200.00	200.00		200.00		
Insp. of Milk and Analysis	800.00			800.00	800.00		800.00		
Public Health and School Nurses	3,175.00			3,175.00	3,175.00		3,175.00		
Disposal and Care of Stray Animals	250.00			250.00	250.00		250.00		
Sewer Maintenance	3,000.00			3,000.00	2,327.04	600.00	2,927.04	72.96	
Surface Drainage Main	6,000.00	600.00		6,600.00	6,566.71		6,566.71	33.29	
Sewer and Surf. Drainage Const.	1,000.00			1,000.00		1,000.00	1,000.00		
Collection of Ashes	15,500.00	300.00		15,800.00	15,797.56		15,797.56	2.44	
Refuse and Garbage Disposal	20,000.00	2,500.00		22,500.00	22,473.07		22,473.07	26.93	
Street Cleaning	4,000.00	300.00		4,300.00	4,252.22		4,252.22	47.78	
TOTALS	$66,745.00	$7,450.00	$139.04	$74,334.04	$72,416.24	$1,650.00	$74,066.24	$267.80	

Department	Appropriation	Credit Transfers	Revenue Orders	Balances From Previous Year Refunds and Receipts	Total Credits	Expended	Debit Transfers	Total Debits	Balance To Excess and Deficiency	Balance To 1933
HIGHWAYS AND BRIDGES										
Highways:										
Highway Repairing	$25,000.00			1,115.53	26,115.53	25,659.75	200.00	25,859.75	255.78	
Individual Walks	1,129.06			1,364.62	2,493.68	2,160.69		2,160.69	332.99	
Sidewalk Repairs	5,000.00	123.10			5,123.10	5,080.02		5,080.02	43.08	
Street Lighting	40,000.00				40,000.00	38,881.88	1,000.00	39,881.88	118.12	
Removal of Snow and Sanding	8,000.00	2,500.00		2,586.13	13,086.13	11,151.76		11,151.76	1,934.37	
Purchase of Snow Plows				407.30	407.30	284.20	123.10	407.30		
Stables—Salaries and Wages	5,500.00				5,500.00	5,108.16	300.00	5,408.16	91.84	
Maintenance	4,600.00				4,600.00	2,647.80	1,950.00	4,507.80	2.20	
Repairs	1,000.00				1,000.00	471.19	500.00	971.19	28.81	
Insurance	200.00				200.00	137.88		137.88	62.12	
Other Expenses	200.00				200.00	91.49		91.49	108.51	
Steam Roller				3,754.79	3,754.79	824.30		824.30		2,930.49
Automotive—Salaries and Wages	2,300.00	280.00			2,580.00	2,549.13		2,549.13	30.87	
Maintenance and Repairs	4,000.00				4,000.00	3,940.17		3,940.17	59.83	
Supplies	750.00				750.00	484.68		484.68	265.32	
Insurance	1,500.00				1,500.00	1,193.15	280.00	1,473.15	26.85	
Other Expenses	550.00				550.00	429.98		429.98	120.02	
TOTALS	$99,729.06	$2,903.10		$9,228.37	$111,860.53	$101,096.23	$4,353.10	$105,449.33	$3,040.71	$2,930.49
BOARD OF PUBLIC WELFARE										
Public Welfare:										
General Administration	$2,450.00	$668.25		$.20	$3,118.45	$3,068.45	$150.00	$3,118.45		
Outside Relief by City	23,500.00	21,790.00		8.00	45,298.00	45,085.06	208.71	4,529.77	4.23	
Relief by Other Cities	11,000.00	2,448.72		50.00	13,498.72	13,493.53		13,493.53	5.19	
Mothers' Aid	3,000.00				3,000.00	2,188.24	811.76	3,000.00		
E. Toothaker Fund				533.63	533.63	119.36		119.36		414.27
A. C. Marie Currier Fund				1,035.88	1,035.88	656.73		656.73		379.15

Hospitals	1,800.00		1,244.00	3,044.00	2,967.25		2,967.25	76.75	
Other Expenses	200.00	353.50	2.33	555.83	554.57		554.57	1.26	
Shoes and Clothing for Needy Persons		250.00		250.00	113.49		113.49	136.51	
Clothing for Needy Persons			139.00	139.00	139.00		139.00		
Bureau of Old Age Assist	12,000.00	9,725.43	3,541.13	25,266.56	24,659.91	207.00	24,866.91	399.65	
TOTALS	$53,950.00	$35,235.90	$6,554.17	$95,740.07	$93,045.59	$1,377.47	$94,323.06	$623.59	$793.42

SOLDIERS' BENEFITS

General Administration:									
Salaries and Wages	$900.00			$900.00	$900.00		$900.00		
Other Expenses	150.00			150.00	149.78		149.78	.22	
State Aid (due from Cmlth.)	2,000.00	450.00		2,450.00	2,392.00		2,392.00	58.00	
Military Aid (½ due from Cmlth)	300.00			300.00	65.75	234.00	299.75	.25	
Soldiers' Relief	17,000.00	11,129.56	37.00	28,166.56	28,141.23		28,141.23	25.33	
Outside Relief by City	1,000.00			1,000.00		1,000.00	1,000.00		
Soldiers' Burial (due from Cmlth)	500.00			500.00		500.00	500.00		
TOTALS	$21,850.00	$11,579.56	$37.00	$33,466.56	$31,648.76	$1,734.00	$33,382.76	$83.80	

SCHOOL DEPARTMENT

General Administration:									
Administration Salaries	$5,300.00		$5.00	$5,300.00	$5,300.00		$5,300.00		
Other General Salaries	3,100.00			3,100.00	3,100.00		3,100.00		
Other General Expenses	1,150.00	125.00		1,275.00	1,262.54		1,262.54	12.46	
Expenses:									
Teachers' Salaries	293,232.00		83.33	293,315.33	292,544.75	700.00	293,244.75	70.58	
Textbooks and Supplies	12,000.00			12,000.00	11,998.39		11,998.39	1.61	
Other Expenses	1,300.00			1,300.00	1,269.20		1,269.20	30.80	
Janitors' Service	23,000.00			23,000.00	22,443.46	500.00	22,943.46	56.54	
Fuel	12,250.00		17.25	12,267.25	11,827.06	251.00	12,078.06	189.19	
Light and Power	4,000.00		5.47	4,005.47	3,420.54	125.00	3,545.54	460.93	
Janitors' Supplies	1,400.00			1,400.00	1,344.77		1,344.77	55.23	

Department	Appropriation	Credit Transfers	Revenue Orders	Balances From Previous Year Refunds and Receipts	Total Credits	Expended	Debit Transfers	Total Debits	Balance To Excess and Deficiency	Balance To 1933
SCHOOL DEPARTMENT—Continued										
Maintenance of Buildings and Grounds	8,000.00	4,000.00		25.00	12,025.00	12,020.79		12,020.79	4.21	
Athletics — Grade	500.00			25.47	525.47	511.88		511.88	13.59	
Tuition	5,492.00	1,450.00			6,942.00	6,851.77		6,851.77	90.23	
Water Rates	20.00	1.00			21.00	20.75		20.75	.25	
Use of Methodist Parish House	2,500.00				2,500.00	2,500.00		2,500.00		
Unemployment Fund				5,179.32	5,179.32	5,104.32	75.00	5,179.32		
Whittier School Sanitaries				68.87	68.87	67.89		67.89	.98	
Ripley School Retaining Wall				508.35	508.35					508.35
Lincoln School Grounds				47.50	47.50	47.00		47.00	.50	
TOTALS	$373,244.00	$5,576.00		$5,961.56	$384,781.56	$381,635.11	$1,651.00	$383,286.11	$987.10	$508.35
LIBRARIES										
Expenses:										
Salaries and Wages	$13,625.00				$13,625.00	$13,619.26		$13,619.26	$5.74	
Books and Periodicals	3,000.00				3,000.00	2,998.88		2,998.88	1.12	
Binding	775.00				775.00	767.92		767.92	7.08	
Fuel and Light	900.00				900.00	894.59		894.59	5.41	
Building, Janitors' Supplies	1,150.00				1,150.00	1,145.93		1,145.93	4.07	
Other Expenses	550.00				550.00	544.09		544.09	5.91	
TOTALS	$20,000.00				$20,000.00	$19,970.67		$19,970.67	$29.33	

RECREATION									
Pine Banks Park:									
Expenses	2,000.00	85.00			$2,085.00	$2,082.87		$2,082.87	
Park Department:									
General Administration:									
Salaries and Wages	2,800.00				2,800.00	2,800.00		2,800.00	
Other Expenses	200.00	244.07			444.07	443.50		443.50	.07
Automotive Equipment Maint.	400.00	98.72			498.72	496.33		496.33	2.39
Unemployment Fund		10,750.00		203.35	10,953.35	10,886.00		10,886.00	67.35
1931 Water Bills			121.86		121.86	121.86		121.86	
Unemployed Work on Ell Pond Knoll		200.00			200.00	200.00		200.00	
Purchase and Placing of Boulder and Tablet—Lloyd Square	85.00				85.00	76.12		76.12	8.88
1932 Water Bills		$60.06			60.06	60.06		60.06	
Parks and Gardens:									
Salaries and Wages	1,600.00				1,600.00	1,599.90		1,599.90	.10
Other Expenses	500.00				500.00	464.18	35.82	500.00	
Playgrounds:									
Salaries and Wages	3,000.00			17.98 O.D.	3,017.98	3,017.98		3,017.98	
Other Expenses	1,000.00			.01	1,000.01	918.46	81.55	1,000.01	
Bathhouse:									
Salaries and Wages	2,800.00				2,800.00	2,800.00		2,800.00	
Other Expenses	500.00	53.65			553.65	553.65		553.65	
TOTALS	$14,800.00	$11,576.50	$121.86	$221.34	$26,719.70	$26,520.91	$117.37	$26,638.28	$81.42
CELEBRATIONS AND ENTERTAINMENT									
Armistice Day	$200.00				$200.00	$188.02		$188.02	$11.98
All Others	100.00				100.00	36.00		36.00	64.00
Fourth of July		136.00			136.00	136.00		136.00	
Christmas 1931				350.00	350.00	266.85		266.85	83.15
Christmas 1932	350.00				350.00		250.00	250.00	100.00
TOTALS	$650.00	$136.00		$350.00	$1,136.00	$626.87	$250.00	$876.87	$259.13
Pensions	$19,862.50				$19,862.50	$19,318.65	$450.00	$19,768.65	$93.85

Department	Appropriation	Credit Transfers	Revenue Orders	Balances From Previous Year Refunds and Receipts	Total Credits	Expended	Debit Transfers	Total Debits	Balance To Excess and Deficiency	Balance To 1933
UNCLASSIFIED										
Claims		$2,003.50	$685.85		$2,689.35	$2,689.35		$2,689.35		
Memorial Day, G. A. R.	$600.00				600.00	523.17	76.83	600.00		
Memorial Day, American Legion	400.00				400.00	347.78	52.22	400.00		
Memorial Day, Fire Department	50.00				50.00	35.00		35.00	15.00	
Memorial Day, Veterans of Foreign Wars		129.05			129.05	129.00		129.00	.05	
Printing City Report	600.00				600.00	466.52		466.52	133.48	
Insurance Fire and Boiler	9,700.00			.60	9,700.60	8,197.39	1,500.00	9,697.39	3.21	
Portraits		50.00		397.00	447.00	75.00		75.00		372.00
Rifle Practice	600.00	43.50			643.50	640.03		640.03	3.47	
Revise City Ordinances	300.00				300.00	300.00		300.00		
Sale of City Property	5,800.00			600.00	6,400.00					6,400.00
Land Taking—Auburn St.	1,250.00				1,250.00		1,250.00	1,250.00		
Rental of City Property				1.00	1.00		1.00	1.00		
Printing City Charter and Ordinnances	800.00				800.00	654.00		654.00	146.00	
Fire Loss, at New Parkway High School				500.00	500.00	500.00		500.00		
TOTALS	$20,100.00	$2,226.05	$685.85	$1,498.60	$24,510.50	$14,557.24	$2,880.05	$17,437.29	$301.21	$6,772.00
WATER DIVISION										
Maintenance	$18,000.00			$401.79	$18,401.79	$18,296.29		$18,296.29	$105.50	
Construction	5,000.00				5,000.00		5,000.00	5,000.00		
Inside Service				6,191.88	6,191.88	6,191.88		6,191.88		
TOTALS	$23,000.00			$6,593.67	$29,593.67	$24,488.17	$5,000.00	$29,488.17	$105.50	

CEMETERY DEPARTMENT									
Maintenance	$20,000.00			$20,000.00	$19,978.21		$19,978.21	$21.79	
Water Rates	100.00			100.00	33.35		33.35	66.65	
Unemployment Fund		7,235.50	42.00	7,277.50	7,276.15	1.35	7,277.50		
TOTALS	$20,100.00	$7,235.50	$42.00	$27,377.50	$27,287.71	$1.35	$27,289.06	$88.44	
Bills Payable—Revenue		$6,773.12	$67.00	$6,840.12	$67.00		$67.00		$6,773.12
Interest	$106,000.00		$7,583.34	$113,583.34	$100,644.36	$9,189.99	$109,834.35	$3,748.99	
AGENCY TRUSTS AND INVESTMENT TRANSACTIONS									
Dog Taxes (for County)			$300.60	$300.60	$297.00		$297.00		$3.60
J. C. F. Slayton Organ Fund Income			370.26	370.26	370.26		370.26		
Levi S. Gould Fund — Income			28.00	28.00	28.00		28.00		
Bailey Library Fund — Income			253.25	253.25	253.25		253.25		
Fitch School Fund — Income			200.00	200.00	200.00		200.00		
TOTALS			$1,152.11	$1,152.11	$1,148.51		$1,148.51		$3.60
NON-REVENUE									
Loans Authorized			$650,000.00	$650,000.00		$650,000.00	$650,000.00		
Municipal Garage Construction			236.44	236.44	76.92		76.92		159.52
Sewer Division, Private Sewers			4,420.53	4,420.53	4,420.53		4,420.53		
Sewer Construction		1,000.00	7,600.70	8,600.70	4,538.76	2,735.85	7,274.61		1,326.09
Private Connections		1,500.00	398.26	1,898.26	858.40		858.40		1,039.86
Construction:									
Southeast Section		5,500.00	158.04 O.D.	5,658.04	5,658.04		5,658.04		
Glendale and Damon Ave.		5,450.00		5,450.00	2,117.95	3,332.05	5,450.00		
Sewer Assessment Reserve		3,340.09	30,580.36	33,920.45	14,237.10	12,756.00	26,993.10		6,927.35
Surface Drainage Construction	1,856.00		5,570.09	7,426.09	6,006.70		6,006.70		1,419.39
Highway — Continuous Walks		5,493.00	12,538.16	18,031.16	9,562.58	3,386.66	12,949.24		5,081.92

Department	Appropriation	Credit Transfers	Revenue Orders	Balances From Previous Year Refunds and Receipts	Total Credits	Expended	Debit Transfers	Total Debits	Balance To Excess and Deficiency	Balance To 1933
NON-REVENUE—Continued										
Sidewalk Assessment Reserve.....		1,881.36		30,141.54	32,022.90	12,024.03	4,041.00	16,065.03		15,957.87
Highway Construction		30,029.91		34,696.89	64,726.80	18,553.54	18,533.91	37,087.45		27,639.35
Betterment Assess. Res.-Revenue..				27,941.89	27,941.89	15,884.38	3,000.00	18,884.38		9,057.51
Schoolhouse Const. Lincoln School				15.28	15.28					15.28
Lincoln School—Furn. and Equip.				28.40	28.40					28.40
Addition to Ripley School.....				74.93	74.93					74.93
New Parkway High School.....				702,048.82	702,048.82	407,566.02	15,600.00	423,166.02		278,882.80
New Parkway High School—Land Taking		15,600.00		6,650.00	22,250.00	15,653.34		15,653.34		6,596.66
Water Division Construction.....		26,255.97		111.72	26,367.69	8,387.92		8,387.92		17,979.77
Bills Payable—Non-Revenue.....				2,543.21	2,543.21	2,543.21		2,543.21		
Cemetery Trust Fund Uninvested				4,009.50	4,009.50	4,009.50		4,009.50		
TOTALS	$1,856.00	$96,050.33		$1,519,764.76	$1,617,671.09	$532,098.92	$63,385.47	$1,245,484.39		$372,186.70

State and County Taxes	Assessors' Warrant	Credit Transfers	Revenue Orders	Total Credits				
State	$161,004.72	$312.00		$161,316.72	$161,125.72		$161,125.72	$191.00
County	59,741.37		$526.43	$60,267.80	60,267.80		60,267.80	
TOTALS	$220,746.09	$312.00	$526.43	$221,584.52	$221,393.52		$221,393.52	$191.00

Report of City Clerk

To His Honor the Mayor and
the Honorable Board of Aldermen,
City of Melrose, Mass.
Gentlemen:

I submit herewith the Annual Report of the City Clerk's Office for the year ending December 31, 1932.

CITY CLERK

Salaries and Wages

Appropriation—Budget Order No. 634.....		$5,186.00	
Transfer		6.00	$5,192.00
Expenditures:			
City Clerk	$2,750.00		
Assistant City Clerk	1,500.00		
Clerk	942.00		$5,192.00

Other Expenses

Appropriation—Budget		$400.00	
Transfer Order No. 1031....		85.00	$485.00
Expenditures:			
Postage	$38.00		
Binding	8.75		
Printing	23.14		
Supplies	98.37		
Phone	66.52		
Dogs	47.00		
Box Rent.....	6.00		
City Clerk Association	15.18		
Directories	15.00		
Express	2.80		
Typewriters	147.02		
Personal Expense.....	2.85		
Bond	8.00		
Transfer Order No. 1031.....	6.00		
Balance	.37		$485.00

ELECTION AND REGISTRATION

Salaries and Wages

Appropriation		$4,415.00
Salaries of Board	$800.00	
Transfer	100.03	
Recount	210.00	
Tellers	70.00	
Election Officers	2,387.50	
Janitors	125.00	
Police	416.25	
Clerical	215.00	
Balance	91.22	$4,415.00

Other Expenses

Appropriation		$1,450.00
Transfer		15.03
		$1,465.03
Expenditures:		
Constables	$3.00	
Personal	2.36	
Light and Labor	12.80	
Rent Voting Places	90.00	
Voting Lists	429.97	
Postage	49.91	
Trucking	230.00	
Taxi	56.50	
Printing	206.55	
Labor	86.90	
Advertising	214.75	
Supplies	82.29	$1,465.03

VITAL STATISTICS

Other Expenses

Appropriation		$250.00
Expenditures:		
Postage	$27.50	
Doctors' Bills	109.00	
Undertakers	49.25	
Typewriter	1.00	
Printing	12.50	
Binding	17.50	
Cards	3.50	
Balance	29.75	$250.00

LICENSE COMMISSION

Appropriation		$125.00
Expenditures:		
Advertising	$50.50	
Balance	64.50	125.00

PRINTING CITY REPORT

Appropriation		$600.00
Expenditures:		
Bids	$2.50	
Stamps	5.60	
Printing	458.42	
Balance	133.48	$600.00

RECEIPTS OF CITY CLERK'S OFFICE BY MONTHS

January	$260.40	
February	163.40	
March	277.57	
April	655.92	
May	399.67	
June	185.15	
July	117.79	
August	112.80	
September	110.03	
October	171.55	
November	87.13	
December	87.21	$2,628.62

DIVISION OF RECEIPTS

Fees	$300.65	
Garages	799.00	
Licenses	442.00	
Marriages	161.00	
Miscellaneous	383.17	
Mortgages	542.80	$2,628.62

Dog Licenses Collected from Dec. 1, 1931 to Dec. 31, 1932

Total collected on 1177 dogs....		$2,647.00
Paid County Treasurer June 1, 1932	$2,114.60	
Paid City Treasurer Dec. 1, 1932	297.00	
Fees on 1177 dogs at 20c	235.40	2,647.00

FISH AND GAME DIVISION ACCOUNT

Total amount collected.....		$719.25
Total number licenses—277		
Paid F. & G. Div. State House..	$653.00	
Fees paid City Treasurer.....	66.25	719.25

RECAPITULATION

City Clerk's Receipts.....	$2,628.62	
Dog Account	2,647.00	
Fish and Game Receipts.....	719.25	$5,994.87

Respectfully submitted,

VICTOR C. KIRMES,
City Clerk

Report of City Treasurer

The Honorable Mayor and Board of Aldermen:
Gentlemen:

I submit to you herewith my report covering the operations of the Treasury Department for the year 1932.

Very truly yours,

S. HOMER BUTTRICK,
City Treasurer

CASH STATEMENT FOR THE YEAR 1932

Cash in Bank and Office, January 1, 1932.....	$177,398.92
Receipts, January 1, 1932 to December 31, 1932.....	3,604,984.85
	$3,782,383.77

Payments, January 1, 1932 to December 31, 1932.....	$3,384,812.19
Balance, Cash in Bank and Office, December 31, 1932	397,571.58
	$3,782,383.77

S. HOMER BUTTRICK,
City Treasurer

CEMETERY TRUST FUND

	Cash	Securities	Total
On hand January 1, 1932	$54,410.55	$82,000.00	$136,410.55
On hand December 31, 1932	$58,657.20	83,000.00	141,657.20
Receipts			
Securities matured or sold:			
City of Melrose Bonds		$19,000.00	
Collections, City of Melrose		4,009.50	
Interest on Investments		5,805.56	
Premiums on Bonds purchased		1,237.15	
Cash on hand, January 1, 1932:			
Savings Banks	$50,000.00		
Trust Company	4,410.55	54,410.55	$84,462.76
Payments			
To purchase of:			
Atchison, T. & S. F. Bonds	$3,000.00		
Union Pacific R. R. Bonds	3,000.00		
Brooklyn Edison Elec. Co. Bonds	2,000.00		
Narragansett Elec. Co. Bonds	4,000.00		
So. California Edison Co. Bonds	5,000.00		
Boston Elevated R. R. Co. Bonds	3,000.00	$20,000.00	
Interest and Premiums paid		182.91	
City of Melrose. Net Income		5,622.65	
Cash on hand, December 31, 1932:			
Savings Banks	$55,000.00		
Trust Company	3,657.20	58,657.20	$84,462.76
List of Securities in Fund			
New York Telephone Co. Bonds		$2,000.00	
American Tel. & Tel. Co. Bonds		2,000.00	
New England Tel. & Tel. Co. Bonds		4,000.00	
Atchison, Topeka & Santa Fe R. R. Bonds		3,000.00	
Union Pacific R. R. Bonds		3,000.00	
Brooklyn Edison Company Bonds		2,000.00	
Boston Elevated R. R. Bonds		3,000.00	
Narragansett Electric Company Bonds		4,000.00	
So. California Edison Company Bonds		5,000.00	
U. S. Government Bonds		10,000.00	
State of Illinois Bonds		10,000.00	
City of Melrose Bonds		35,000.00	
Total amount of Securities			$83,000.00
Cash in Savings Banks and Trust Company			$58,657.20
Total in Fund			$141,657.20

LEVI S. GOULD MEDAL FUND

Income Account

Bal., Jan. 1, 1932.....	$310.74	City of Melrose	$28.00
Income, 1932	56.14	Bal., Dec. 31, 1932	338.88
	$366.88		$366.88

NORMAN F. HESSELTINE FUND

Income Account

Bal. Jan. 1, 1932	$2.72		
Income, 1932	4.27	Bal. Dec. 31, 1932	$6.99
	$6.99		$6.99

COMMUNITY CIVICS FUND, CLASS OF 1918

Income Account

Bal., Jan. 1, 1932	$79.13		
Income, 1932	3.58	Bal., Dec. 31, 1932	$82.71
	$82.71		$82.71

SARAH E. FITCH FUND

Bal., Jan. 1, 1932	$814.25	Paid on Warrant.....	$800.00
Income, 1932	31.35	Bal., Dec. 31, 1932	45.60
	$845.60		$845.60

J. C. F. SLAYTON ORGAN FUND

Income Account

		Melrose Savings Bank	
Income, 1932	$400.00	Deposited	$400.00

100th ANNIVERSARY, TOWN OF MELROSE

Income Account

Income	3.06		
Bal., Jan. 1, 1932	$67.91	Bal., Dec. 31, 1932	$70.97
	$70.97		$70.97

WILLIAM BAILEY LIBRARY FUND

Bal., Jan. 1, 1932	$2,835.20	Paid on Warrant.....	$243.65
Income, 1932	128.21	Bal., Dec. 31, 1932	$2,719.76
	$2,963.41		$2,963.41

WILLIAM E. BARRETT LIBRARY FUND

Bal., Jan. 1, 1932	$261.36		
Income, 1932	11.88	Bal., Dec. 31, 1932	$273.24
	$273.24		$273.24

HORATIO NELSON PERKINS LIBRARY FUND

Bal., Jan. 1, 1932	$555.91		
Income, 1932	25.27	Bal., Dec. 31, 1932	$581.18
	$581.18		$581.18

TAX TITLE ACCOUNT

Bal., Jan. 1, 1932.....	$9,384.61	Red'm'd or forec'l'd..	$13.291.71
Additions, 1932	15,065.98	Bal., Dec. 31, 1932	11,158.88
	$24,450.59		$24,450.59

BONDS AND NOTES OF THE CITY OF MELROSE OUSTANDING DECEMBER 31, 1932
and amounts maturing each year until paid.

YEAR	Permanent	Surface Drainage	School	Water	Sewer	Memorial Building	City Hall Addition	City Stables	Fire Station	Garage
1933.....	$35,000	$10,000	$89,000	$26,000	$23,500	$2,000	$3,000	$2,000	$3,000	$1,000
1934.....	31,000	10,000	88,500	19,000	22,000	2,000	3,000	2,000	3,000	1,000
1935.....	23,000	9,500	87,500	10,000	19,500	2,000	3,000	2,000	3,000	1,000
1936.....	11,000	8,000	87,500	4,000	13,000	2,000	3,000	2,000	3,000	1,000
1937.....	11,000	7,000	87,500		13,000	2,000	3,000	2,000	3,000	1,000
1938.....	7,000	7,000	86,500		13,000	2,000	3,000	2,000	3,000	
1939.....	2,000	7,000	86,500		13,000	2,000	3,000	2,000	3,000	
1940.....	2,000	7,000	86,500		11,000	2,000	3,000	2,000	2,000	
1941.....		7,000	86,500		9,000	2,000	3,000	2,000		
1942.....		5,000	74,500		6,000	2,000	3,000			
1943.....		3,000	64,500		4,000		2,000			
1944.....		2,000	51,000		4,000					
1945.....		2,000	44,000		2,000					
1946.....		1,000	34,000		2,000					
1947.....					2,000					
1948.....					2,000					
TOTALS..	$122,000	$85,500	$1,054,000	$59,000	$159,000	$20,000	$32,000	$18,000	$23,000	$5,000

TOTAL OUTSTANDING DEBT—$1,577,500.00

ANNUAL MATURITIES

YEAR		YEAR	
1933	$194,500.00	1941	$109,500.00
1934	181,500.00	1942	90,500.00
1935	160,500.00	1943	73,500.00
1936	134,500.00	1944	57,000.00
1937	129,500.00	1945	48,000.00
1938	123,500.00	1946	37,000.00
1939	118,500.00	1947	2,000.00
1940	115,500.00	1948	2,000.00

TOTAL — $1,577,500.00

CASH RECEIPTS FOR 1932

Showing the different sources of the City Revenue and the amount received from each

Auditorium Building:	
Receipts	$2,994.00
Other Expenses	.51
Automotive Equipment	4,051.16
Cemetery:	
Receipts	10,951.90
Interest from Trust Fund	5,622.65
Charity:	
Receipts	5,846.81
Outside Relief	4.00
Relief from other Cities and Towns	50.00
Other Expenses	2.53
City Hall:	
Receipts	241.00
City Clerk, Receipts	2,637.62
City Collector, Receipts	2,025.90
Commonwealth of Massachusetts:	
Receipts	33,617.25
Bank and Corporation Tax	16,015.89
Income Tax	94,548.30
Fines and Forfeits	494.00
Fire Department:	
Receipts	56.25
Funds:	
Cemetery Trust Fund	4,009.50
Sarah E. Fitch Fund	200.00
Ambulance Fund	202.50
Unemployment Fund	23,194.45
Bailey Library Fund	253.25
Levi S. Gould Fund	28.00
Currier Fund	758.65
John C. F. Slayton Organ Fund	370.26
Grants and Gifts, Dog Tax	2,709.65

Health:	
Quarantine and Contagious Disease	36.00
Receipts	1,613.17
Collection of Garbage	3,145.75
Other Expenses	84.04
Highways:	
Construction	4,921.68
Repairing	1,115.53
Sidewalks, Individual	1,364.62
Inspector of Buildings, Receipts	432.50
Interest	51,500.18
Library Receipts	893.40
Licenses, All Others	247.00
Loans:	
Temporary	800,000.00
" Renewals	500,000.00
Parks:	
Other Expenses	.01
Receipts	213.00
Grants and Gifts	200.00
Unemployment Insurance	34.07
Payroll Tailings	263.97
Police Department:	
Equipment and Repairs	5.00
Receipts	27.00
Public Works, Receipts	141.46
Sale of Lands of Low Value	49.00
Sale of City Property	1,125.00
Sale of Bonds:	
New High School Building	650,000.00
Sanitation:	
Sewer Construction Receipts	36.76
Sewer, Private Receipts	3,817.75
Killing of Dogs	7.00
Sealer of Weights and Measures, Receipts	186.41
Special Assessments:	
Betterments	11,084.37
Sewer	13,568.74
Sidewalks and Curbings	16,898.22

Soldiers' Benefits:	
Soldiers' Burial	100.00
Soldiers' Relief	56.13
Schools:	
Light	6.47
Fuel	17.25
Teachers' Salaries, Receipts	83.33
Text Books and Supplies	3.12
Receipts	2,943.54
Athletic Grades	25.47
Stables Account, Receipts	2,905.73
Taxes:	
1927	12.48
1928	482.66
1929	15,287.74
1930	84,540.31
1931	376,001.63
1932	723,004.01
Old Age Assistance, 1931	1,216.00
" " " 1932	14,948.00
Tax Titles Redemptions	12,175.06
Unclassified	1.00
" Insurance	500.60
Water:	
Income	91,558.55
Maintenance	401.79
Inside Service	4,808.47
Motor Excise Tax	7.85
Total Receipts	$3,604,984.85

Report of Memorial Building Trustees

To the Honorable Mayor and Board of Aldermen:
Melrose, Massachusetts
Gentlemen:

The Trustees of the Memorial Building herewith submit their annual report for the year 1932:

FINANCIAL STATEMENT

Salaries and Wages:			
Appropriation		$3,310.00	
Expended		3,228.89	
Balance			$81.11
Other Expenses:			
Appropriation	$2,400.00		
Cash Credit	0.51		
		$2,400.51	
Expended		2,183.38	
Balance			$217.13

The general care and maintenance of the building follows along the same lines as previous years. During the past year the floor of the G. A. R. Hall and the north parlor were resurfaced and refinished. The scenery used in dramatic presentations in Memorial Hall was repainted and repaired. This is a much needed improvement as the appearance of the scenery was very shabby.

There has been considerable difficulty caused by water getting into the building during driving rain storms at certain times of the year. Contracts have been let for waterproofing part of the outside face of the parapet walls and towers and for work on roof, but this work will not be completed until 1933.

Respectfully submitted,

TRUSTEES MEMORIAL BUILDING,
EDWARD J. LORD, Chairman

Report of the Trustees of Melrose Public Library

To His Honor, the Mayor, and the Honorable Board of Aldermen
Gentlemen:

The Trustees of the Public Library herewith respectfully submit the report of the Librarian, with the statistics of the work during the year 1932.

Respectfully,

PAUL STERLING, Chairman

To the Trustees of the Melrose Public Library:

I herewith submit my report for the year ending December 31, 1932. As with all Public Libraries, the year just closed has been the busiest in the history of the Melrose Library. The energy and strength of the staff have been taxed to the utmost to take care of the work day by day. The increase in the circulation of books was 25,667, the greatest increase being at the Main Library, in the adult non-fiction. It has been said, "The employed read in defense of their jobs, the unemployed read in preparation for new jobs, and both employed and unemployed of all kinds find in books a steadying influence, recreation, and welcome escape from the strain of living."

Buying fewer books, as we are, the increased circulation must necessarily bring great wear and tear on the old books. The old books wear out quickly, and so greatly increase both the binding and replacement expense. Our modest library budget has always required very careful spending. With the reduced budget and greatly increased use of the Library, it is not possible to give satisfactory service. There are constant complaints because we have so few new books.

Library service at this time is imperative, and any crippling of the influence of this constructive agency in the community would seem false economy. The reading habit once formed will continue.

A glance at the circulation of books for home use for the past three years will show the steady growth of the usefulness of the Library.

Year	Circulation	Per Capita
1930	180,301 books	7 2/3
1931	220,376 "	9 1/4
1932	246,043 "	10 1/5

What is true of the circulation of books, is true of the work of the entire Library. It has been apparent, especially in the Reading Room and the Reference Work. Of all the institutions of our city, the Library is the only one which is free and open to all. As a matter of fact, nearly half of the population of the city are registered users of the Library. This does not include a large number who are not registered, but who use the Library for reading and study. It has indeed been a refuge for many.

The interest and growth in the Art Department continue, and are very gratifying. In the summer, the Library placed a brass plate on the Art Room door giving recognition to the work of the committee from the Woman's Club who originated and promoted the Art Room. With this as a nucleus, a really splendid Art Department has been developed.

Annual Book Week was observed much as usual, with an exhibit of books for both children and older people, and with story telling every day for the children. The story hours on Saturday afternoons are eagerly waited for by the children, as is shown by the 908 children who attended them during the season. The story telling is volunteer work and is greatly appreciated by the little folks.

An exhibit of paintings in December by Melrose artists was very interesting and attracted a large number of visitors. Few people realized there are so many artists in the city.

The staff remains unchanged, and has shown a splendid spirit of loyalty and enthusiasm.

I again acknowledge my indebtedness to you Trustees for your support and to the staff for its loyal co-operation.

Respectfully submitted,

ELSIE M. HATCH, Librarian

AMERICAN LIBRARY ASSOCIATION FORM OF STATISTICS

Name of Library.....Melrose Public Library
City and State.....Melrose, Massachusetts
Name of Librarian.....Elsie M. Hatch
Date of founding.....1871
Population served (latest estimate).....24,062
Assessed valuation $36,320,950
Terms of use—Free to residents of Melrose, teachers in public schools, and by special permission to persons employed in, or guests in the city.
Total number of agencies:
Central Library
Branches 4
Other agencies—School rooms, Sanitarium, Camps.
Number of days open during year, Central Library..... 333

Hours open each week for reading, Central Library	
69 (9 Months) 66 (3 Months)	
Hours open each week for lending....69 (9 Months) 66 (3 Months)	
Number of volumes at beginning of year	47,573
Number of volumes added by purchase	1,862
Number of volumes added by gift	231
Number of volumes at end of year	49,666
Circulation per capita	10 1/5
Number of registered borrowers	10,573

Report of City Collector

To His Honor Mayor Robert A. Perkins
and the Board of Aldermen.
Gentlemen:

Herewith please find the annual report of receipts and expenditures of the Collecting Department for the year 1932.

Receipts

Tax: 1927—Real Estate		$12.48	
1928—Personal	$99.64		
Real Estate	383.02	482.66	
1929—Motor Vehicle Excise	38.89		
Personal	288.96		
Real Estate	14,919.90	15,247.75	
1930—Poll	10.00		
Motor Vehicle Excise	697.02		
Personal	1,278.90		
Real Estate	82,554.39	84,540.31	
1931—Poll	1,029.00		
Motor Vehicle Excise	4,293.24		
Personal	7,420.38		
Real Estate	363,206.21	375,948.83	
1932—Poll	11,717.00		
Motor Vehicle Excise	42,484.30		
Personal	63,559.30		
Real Estate	605,225.65	722,986.25	$1,199,218.28
Sewer Assessments		13,568.74	
" " Interest		4,293.02	17,861.76
Sidewalk Assessments		16,898.22	
" " Interest		3,989.11	20,887.33
Betterment Assessments		11,084.37	
" " Interest		3,138.24	14,222.61
Old Age Assistance Tax—1931		586.00	
1932		5,885.00	6,471.00
Collector's Receipts			2,025.55
General Interest 1927		3.42	
1928		168.09	
1929		2,929.84	
1930		8,969.49	
1931		14,114.25	
1932		591.00	26,776.09

Health Nuisance Tax—1929		39.99
Water—1928	65.68	
1929	190.36	
1930	1,495.08	
1931	23,323.48	
1932	56,880.35	
Summons	150.60	82,105.55
		$1,369,608.16

Expenditures

Salaries and Wages—Appropriation		$6,102.00
Expended		6,102.00
Other Expenses—Appropriation		2,035.00
Expended	$1,884.03	
To Excess and Deficiency	150.97	2,035.00

Respectfully submitted,

WILLIAM A. CARRIE,
City Collector

Report of the Fire Department

To His Honor the Mayor and the Honorable Board of Aldermen,
Dear Sirs:

I respectfully submit the following annual report of the Melrose Fire Department for the year 1932.

Organization

The department consists of four companies and are as follows: Engine Co. No. 1, Engine Co. No. 2, Engine Co. No. 3, and Hook and Ladder Co. No. 1.

Personnel

The permanent force consists of one Chief Engineer, three Captains, two Lieutenants, one Master Mechanic, and twenty-six Privates.

The Call force consists of one Deputy Chief and ten Privates.

Equipment

One Chief's auto, three pumping engines with equipment, one hook and ladder truck with equipment, two combination hose and chemical autos with equipment, one horse-drawn pung, nineteen chemical extinguishers and other appliances for fire and life saving work and one service car with light plant and equipment.

Hose

Number of feet of good 2½ inch hose in department	8,550 feet
Number of feet of good 3 inch hose in department	300 feet
Number of feet of good 1½ inch hose in department	200 feet
Number of feet of good chemical hose 1 inch	1,590 feet

All hose has been tested to 200 pounds pressure.

Fires

Total number of bell alarms	189
Total number of still alarms	236
Total number of alarms—31 Emergency	456
Apparatus out of city	9
False alarms	45

Inspections

Number of building inspections	4,696
Number of hydrant inspections	524

Insurance of Buildings

Number of buildings damaged	39
Valuation of buildings	$268,700.00
Loss on buildings	24,275.95
Insurance on buildings	328,100.00
Insurance paid on buildings	25,689.95
Value of contents	66,800.00
Insurance on contents	59,400.00
Loss on contents	15,733.50
Insurance paid on contents	16,171.50
Total loss buildings and contents	40,009.45
Total insurance paid on buildings and contents	41,861.45

Hose and Ladders Used

Number of feet of hose laid	26,800 feet
Number of feet of ladders raised	2,823 feet
Number of covers used	32
Number of gallons of chemical used	,283 gals
Number of gallons of foamite used	24 gals.
Number of quarts of pyrene used	3 qts.
Number of tanks of fire freeze used	11 tanks
Total mileage	1,690 miles
Total hours of pump operation	22 hours

Department Work

Frigidaire leakage	1
To open locked doors	11
To remove cats from trees	8
To put aged lady, who was sick, back in bed	1
To turn on water	1
To shut off water	2
To shut off gas	5
First aid rendered, including use of inhalator	13 times
The personal property is valued at	$79,115.80

Recommendations

1. I am still recommending that the present High School building should have sprinkler systems installed.

2. In my reports for the past five or six years, I have recom-

mended that new hydrants be placed in our business district, but I have not been successful in so doing. Hydrants are cheaper than hose. This is a very important factor in the directing of water lines.

3. In conclusion, I will say that we have endeavored to cooperate with the public in all undertakings that have come to our notice, and we are looking forward for the cooperation of the residents in their homes and the merchants in their places of business to keep their rubbish and papers cleaned up, so that we may keep our fire losses down to a minimum this coming year.

With thanks to our Mayor, the Honorable Board of Aldermen, all city officials and departments, the public in general and members of the police and fire departments for their cooperation with me and may we all make the some effort this year to keep our fire losses as small as possible.

Very truly yours,

FRANK C. NEWMAN,
Chief of Fire Department

Report of Inspector of Buildings

To His Honor the Mayor and the
Honorable Board of Aldermen.
Gentlemen:

I herewith submit my report as Building Commissioner for the year 1932.

BUILDING PERMITS ISSUED IN CITY OF MELROSE

January 1, 1932 to January 1, 1933

Classifications	No.	Cost
Single dwellings	46	$203,900
Private garages	79	21,558
School houses	1	580,000
Service stations	1	2,000
Greenhouse	1	100
Store and apartment	1	3,500
Minor buildings	6	1,200
Alterations to dwellings	70	25,695
Other alterations	18	13,315
Total	223	$851,268

Respectfully submitted

ANGUS MACDONALD,
Building Commissioner

Report of Law Department

The year 1932 was a very busy period for the City Solicitor. There were many legal matters requiring attention; the new High School and the extra work caused by the depression in the Welfare Department and before the Board of Assessors resulted in questions not usual in normal years.

The new High School is nearing completion. There were three petitions in the Superior Court for damages for land taking. I am glad to report that all the takings have been adjusted and the total amount paid by the City was $15,600 for an area of about five acres with three buildings, one of which was a substantial dwelling house of the better type. The City acquired this property at a very reasonable figure.

The contracts for the constructing of the building were carefully considered. There were several strikes and other labor troubles; in fact, to discuss the many details would take too much space. Almost daily some question would arise requiring decision, but all have been disposed of without loss to the City and it seems certain that the structure and its surroundings will be a source of satisfaction and pride to our citizens.

Declining real estate values presented many problems to the Assessors and several of these matters came to my attention. All the cases pending before the Board of Tax Appeals have been finally disposed of. By exercising sound discretion, the assessors avoided the expense of trials which cannot be conducted without substantial fees for real estate experts. Many of our surrounding cities have a large number of cases still pending before the Board of Tax Appeals.

In addition to the above, there was the usual routine work of the department—numerous hearings at the State House and conferences with the City Departments. When it is realized that there are more than twenty different departments, and that the questions usually require written opinions, it will readily be understood how much time is consumed in the performance of my duties.

The usual number of claims for injuries in streets and sidewalks were made—more than fifty in all. Two were settled with the approval of the Committee on Legal and Legislative Matters, but in the great majority of cases, there was no liability.

Respectfully submitted,

THOMAS McKIE,
City Solicitor

Report of the License Commission

To His Honor the Mayor, and the
Honorable Board of Aldermen.
Gentlemen:

The License Commission respectfully submits their Annual Report for the year ending December 31, 1932.

Permits to the number of 77 were issued to erect and maintain garages for one and two cars at a total income of $154.

Thirty-eight hearings were held on all one and two car permits. Locations were viewed and passed on and approval given by the Chief of the Fire Department in accordance with the provisions of Chapter 148, Section 14, as amended by Chapter 325-1928.

Respectfully submitted,

VICTOR C. KIRMES,
Clerk

Report of the Board of Public Welfare

To His Honor the Mayor and the Honorable Board of Aldermen.
City of Melrose, Mass.
Sirs:

The Board of Public Welfare herewith respectfully submits its report for the year ending December 31, 1932.

ROY M. CUSHMAN, Chairman
ADALINE G. REED, Clerk
SYBIL M. BAKER
ALICE M. FAY
LUTHER B. GAINES

THE COST OF RELIEF

With the rounding out of the year 1932, we find ourselves in the fourth year of the worst economic depression this country and the world have ever experienced. The resulting unemployment has caused a degree of human distress which has placed an enormous burden upon relief resources everywhere. The Massachusetts system of public outdoor relief has proved a veritable bulwark of strength in programs for assisting the unemployed. It places the major part of the burden where it must be placed when so much money is required, namely, upon the taxpayers. In no other way would it be possible to find the huge sums required to provide the necessities of life for such a large proportion of our population as have fallen into distress during the present great emergency.

Since during hard times, municipalities as well as individuals suffer serious loss of income, carefud scrutiny of all expenditures for governmental operations is necessary in order that savings may be effected wherever possible. Naturally those departments which cost the most are likely to be scrutinized closest. Public Welfare, normally one of the less costly, as a result of the great and increasing demands for relief of the unemployed, has become one of the more costly of the city departments. Hence, naturally enough, the taxpayers and their elected officials look to the Department of Public Welfare as one of the quarters in which expenses may be substantially reduced. There is danger, however, of falling into the fallacy of concluding that costs can be reduced simply because they are high. The Department of Public Welfare costs a lot of money because it is doing a big job. It is a true barometer of the times. Costs will remain high, and go even higher, until times are better.

MELROSE DEPARTMENT OF PUBLIC WELFARE

Expenditures for the Years January 1, 1929—December 31, 1932

	1929	1930	1931	1932
Administration	$1,646.00	$1,696.50	$1,857.60	$3,118.45
Outside Relief	7,031.30	12,865.05	23,119.18	45,293.77
Relief by other cities and towns	7,422.25	6,548.40	10,778.29	13,334.59
Mothers' Aid	2,729.66	2,598.73	2,535.25	2,609.99
Old Age Assistance				24,866.91
Maintenance in hospitals	1,199.49	1,744.00	1,752.75	2,967.25
Other expenses	155.10	195.70	181.19	554.57
Total	$20,183.80	$25,648.38	$40,224.26	$92,745.53
Toothaker Fund	$900.32			$119.36
Currier Fund	1,163.74	1,235.70	1,429.40	656.73

STATISTICS

Number Receiving Partial Support

Individuals		
Adults	292	
Children	392	
Total		684
Having settlement in Melrose	505	
Having settlement elsewhere in State	101	
Having no known settlement	78	
Total		684
Families		
Having settlement in Melrose	127	
Having settlement elsewhere in State	47	
Having no known settlement	15	
Total		189

Number Receiving Full Support

Supported in private families	6	
Children boarded by the State	11	
Children boarded in other cities	4	
Supported at Malden City Infirmary	4	
Supported at State Infirmary	5	
Total		30
Cases discharged	15	
Deaths	4	

FINANCIAL STATEMENT

SUMMARY

Receipts

	Balance from 1931	Appropriations	Transfer Orders	Refunds	Total
Administration		2,450.00	668.25	.20	3,118.4
Outside Relief by City		23,500.00	21,794.00	4.00	45,298.0
Relief by Other Cities		11,000.00	2,498.72		13,498.7
Mothers' Aid		3,000.00			3,000.0
Old Age Assistance	3,527.13	12,000.00	9,725.43	14.00	25,266.5
Maintenance in Hospital		1,800.00	1,244.00		3,044.0
Other Expenses		200.00	353.50	2.33	555.8
Total	$3,527.13	$53,950.00	$36,283.90	$20.53	$93,781.5

Expenditures

	Overdraft From 1931	Expended	Transfer Orders	Balance to 1933	Total
Administration		2,968.45	150.00		3,118.4
Outside Relief by City		45,293.77		4.23	45,298.0
Relief by Other Cities	158.94	13,334.59		5.19	13,498.72
Mothers' Aid		2,609.99	390.01		3,000.0
Old Age Assistance		24,866.91		399.65	25,266.5
Maintenance in Hospital		2,967.25		76.75	3,044.0
Other		554.57		1.26	555.8
Total	158.94	$92,595.53	$540.01	$487.08	$93,781.5

TRUST FUNDS

Receipts

	Bal. From 1931	Rec. From Trusts	Total
Eleanor Brown Toothaker Fund	119.36	414.27	533.63
A. C. Marie D. Currier Fund	277.23	785.65	1,035.88

Expenditures

	Expended	Balance to 1933	Total
Eleanor Brown Toothaker Fund	119.36	414.27	533.63
A. C. Marie D. Currier Fund	656.73	379.15	1,035.88

ANALYSIS OF EXPENDITURES BY MONTHS

GENERAL ADMINISTRATION

	Salary of Chairman	Salary of Temporary Chairman	Salary of Temporary Supt.	Salary of Board	Salary of New Board	Salary of Clerk of Board	Salary of Clerical Assistance	Transfer Order	Total
Jan.	125.00			4.16			43.33		$172.49
Feb.	125.00			4.16			41.67		170.83
March	125.00			16.68			45.00		186.68
April	125.00	73.80		4.16			43.33		246.29
May	125.00	102.50		8.33			43.33		279.16
June					20.80	58.33	43.33		122.46
July			86.05			58.33	43.33		187.71
August			114.72			58.33	88.50		261.55
Sept.			114.72		62.50	58.34	113.00		348.56
Oct.			143.40			58.33	113.00		314.73
Nov.			114.72			58.33	113.00		286.05
Dec.			143.60		62.50	58.34	127.50	150.00	541.94
	$625.00	$176.30	$717.21	$37.49	$145.80	$408.33	$858.32	$150.00	$3,118.45

OUTSIDE RELIEF BY CITY

	Food	Milk	Fuel	Rent	Cash	Med.	Cloth	Board	Moving	Burial	Trans. Order	Misc.	Total
Jan.	$1,299.00	$62.63	$463.62	$142.00	$852.00								2,829.31
Feb.	1,329.90	68.58	540.45	112.00	774.00	22.90							2,858.59
March	1,523.06	71.44	650.00	204.00	1,120.00	37.60	10.76						3,631.10
April	1,850.27	65.50		113.00	830.00	7.69							2,896.46
May	2,218.27	85.44	312.75	123.00	1,294.50	104.06	35.00	30.00					4,276.57
June	2,340.00	125.85		83.00	1,148.00	18.00	107.55	31.00					3,824.23
July	2,701.50	89.74		113.00	1,299.00	50.86	79.38	30.00					4,346.54
Aug.	2,152.12	190.07		323.00	1,258.75	11.00	61.44	31.00					3,985.51
Sept.	1,355.04	107.39		101.00	1,115.97	87.67	36.57		14.00				2,840.65
Oct.	2,176.75	169.90	273.10	238.50	1,582.00	43.40	71.58		2.00				4,542.55
Nov.	1,909.33	409.46	486.20	109.50	1,319.51	33.44	58.90			117.00	208.71	1.50	4,551.39
Dec.	2,160.33	426.69	98.39	347.50	1,388.20	63.34	105.45		22.00	35.00		20.71	4,740.87
	$23,015.63	$1,872.69	$2,824.51	$2,009.50	$13,981.93	$479.96	$566.63	$122.00	$38.00	$152.00	$208.71	$22.21	$45,293.77

RELIEF BY OTHER CITIES AND TOWNS

	Board and Care	Med.	Food	Cash	Fuel	Cloth.	Bed in Hospital	Overdraft from 1931	Rent	Totals
Jan.	$376.00	$32.00	$12.00					158.94		408.00
Feb.		24.50	127.09	$499.00	42.55	8.88	63.00			923.96
March	333.54		121.00	872.00	36.25	10.74	120.00			1,493.53
April	987.65									987.65
May							12.90			12.90
June			135.77		7.50		66.65			209.92
July	210.79	1.50		400.00			509.76			1,122.05
Aug.							161.45			161.45
Sept.	1,317.86						32.70			1,350.56
Oct.	403.05									403.05
Nov.	72.29									72.29
Dec.	1,403.25	80.40	1,490.60	2,711.60	158.02	22.04	272.79	158.94	209.41	6,348.17
	$5,104.43	$138.40	$1,874.46	$4,482.66	$244.32	$41.66	$1,239.25	$158.94	$209.41	$13,493.53

OLD AGE ASSISTANCE

	Treasurers Cash Orders	Cash paid by other Cities	Printing and Stationery	Postage	Fuel	Hospital	Transportation	Medicine	Transfer Order	Burial	Total
Jan.	$1,342.00	$60.00	$1.55		$4.05		$1.00				$1,408.60
Feb.	1,442.00										1,442.00
March	1,158.50		2.94	2.61		39.65	1.00	4.00		100.00	1,308.70
April	2,491.00						1.00				2,492.00
May	1,688.00		16.00					3.00			1,707.00
June	2,201.50		10.00	.46			.40				2, 212.36
July	1,830.00					120.00	1.40	20.00			1,971.40
Aug.	2,409.50						2.50				2,412.00
Sept.	2,197.00	60.00				49.00					2,306.00
Oct.	2,697.50										2,697.50
Nov.	2,296.00										2,296.00
Dec.	2,321.50			6.00				78.85	207.00		2,613.35
	$24,074.50	$120.00	$30.49	$9.07	$4.05	$208.65	$7.30	$105.85	$207.00	$100.00	$25,866.91

Mothers' Aid

	Cash	Hospital	Transfer Order	Total
January	$188.00			$188.00
February	188.00			188.00
March	235.00	$5.00		240.00
April	188.00			188.00
May	235.00			235.00
June	188.00			188.00
July	174.00			174.00
August	175.00			175.00
September	60.00			60.00
October	199.00			199.00
November	175.96		$421.75	597.71
December	177.28		390.01	567.29
	$2,183.24	$5.00	$811.76	$3,000.00

Other Expenses

	Printing and Stationery	Postage	Telephone	Supplies and Equipment	Transportation	Total
January	$11.00		$7.79	$1.75		$20.54
February	17.30	$5.16	8.26			30.72
March	22.00	6.04				28.04
April	43.75	1.00	7.02	1.00		52.77
May			5.60	5.05	2.52	13.17
June		5.00	4.87	21.00		30.87
July	32.20		8.99		5.80	46.99
August	5.08		10.92	14.77	2.80	33.57
September	44.17	6.00	10.69	7.98	.75	69.59
October	31.36		11.22	.20	1.90	44.68
November	21.56	18.00	11.47	5.98	2.64	59.65
December	9.49		10.99	103.50		123.98
	$237.91	$41.20	$97.82	$161.23	$16.41	$554.57

Maintenance in Hospital

January	$28.00
February	77.85
March	519.57
April	156.80
May	200.40
June	10.00
July	171.35
August	696.50
September	145.80
October	200.00
November	191.63
December	569.35
	$2,967.25

Report of Park Commissioners

Hon. Robert A. Perkins, Mayor, and the
Honorable Board of Aldermen.
City of Melrose, Mass.

Gentlemen:

We herewith submit the twenty-third annual report of the Board of Park Commissioners of the City of Melrose for the year 1932.

Very few people of Melrose realize the number and area of our city parks, playgrounds and squares.

The Park Department has under its control 15 plots of land, large and small, known as Parks, Squares and Playgrounds, with two other plots for their use which are under the control of the Cemetery and School Committees; namely, Ripley and Hesseltine Playgrounds. The total area of the plots directly under the Park Commission consist of approximately 90 acres.

Were money available these parks, playgrounds and squares could be made very attractive and valuable spots in our city. This development cannot be made at the present time, so we must progress slowly.

ELL POND PARK

This is by far the most valuable and popular park in our system. Owing to labor supplied by the Unemployment Committee and the Welfare Board this park has been greatly improved during the past year and presents a much better appearance than in previous years.

Ell Pond Bathhouse had an especially successful season as shown by the large attendance. We are especially pleased to report no fatalities during the season and we extend our highest appreciation to the attendants for their successful supervision during the bathing season.

During the past season a beginning has been made in a nursery near the park office. Generous contributions of small trees and shrubs have been made and we hope to continue this little garden until it becomes of value in improving our parks and city streets.

In order to prevent fires in Sewall's Woods Park we have used help from the Unemployment Committee and Welfare Board to clear the leaves and brush from this park so it is now in excellent condition.

During the past season there has been a great demand for the use of tennis courts, and we feel that more are needed at Ell

Pond Park. There are now seven courts and land has been graded at Ell Pond Park for two more double and two single courts. These new courts will cost about $2,000 and would be a very valuable asset during this period of depression.

We also need more room for playing baseball. We believe that the Athletic Field should be made available for ball games and other forms of recreation when not conflicting with school uses.

We also believe City Hall should be used more for basketball and other forms of indoor recreation, especially for the unemployed of all ages who need recreation at this time.

In July at the earnest request of a good many citizens we opened a playground on the new Hesseltine Street School lot. With but little apparatus available there was a large attendance of children and this playground should be opened again for the full season.

A detailed report of the various activities conducted by Mr. Rogers is given, and the members of the Park Commission are unanimous in praising Mr. Rogers for his remarkable work during the year.

Mr. Elmer O. Goodridge, Chairman,
and the members of the Melrose
Board of Park Commissioners:

I take pleasure in submitting the following report of the activities of this department during the year 1932, which includes the activities on the Playgrounds, Bathhouse, Pond and also the men under my jurisdiction, including those furnished by the Mayor's Committee for the Relief of Unemployment and the Board of Public Welfare.

During the months of January and February of this year very little ice was available for the use on the Hockey Rink owing to the mildness of the weather, there being only one week of skating both on the rink and the pond during the month of February. During the month of December 1932 public skating was enjoyed on the Hockey Rink on two afternoons and eight evenings, with an average attendance on the rink during these periods of approximately two hundred people. The High School Hockey Squad had the use of the rink for either practise or games during ten afternoons.

BATHHOUSE AND BEACH

During the summer of 1932 the Bathhouse and Beach were open from July 5th to September 1st, with an average daily attendance of 835, with a season total attendance of 54,376. This shows

an increase in total attendance of 7,118 over the previous year and an increased daily attendance of 160 over the same year.

Again we have the pleasure and good fortune to report no fatalities on the pond at any time during the entire year, with the exception of one woman from Stoneham who committed suicide during the late summer from the Tremont street shore after the bathhouse and beach were closed for the day. During the entire time that the bathhouse and beach were opened, 62 persons were given assistance by the Life Guards, who were either tired or in danger, I feel that the Guards, Messrs. Keating, Robbins and Jenkins, all of whom are local products of Ell Pond training deserve the very highest of praise and commendation for their watchfulness and the manner in which they carried out their duties during the season. This record of "no fatalities" is in no small measure due to their efforts.

Classes were held in swimming, both for beginners and also advanced pupils every morning during the entire season, when every child and adult in Melrose had an opportunity to learn how to swim and take care of themselves and others in the water. The swimming classes had a total attendance of 408 persons, the life saving class a total of 114 persons and the diving class 32 persons taking advantage of these instructions.

Considerable comment of a very favorable nature, during the past few years, have been expressed not only by Melrose citizens, but also visitors who have passed through Melrose. Ell Pond and its bathing beach are assets which Melrose cannot measure in dollars, and should never be neglected.

This year, again, considerable work was done in the pond toward the clearing of the pond of weeds. I personally feel that the pond has less weeds at present than at any time during the past five years. However, the method we use gives us only temporary relief and to the surface only, the entire pond under the surface being covered with weeds which are increasing year by year, and something of stronger method of eliminating the weeds must be found very shortly before they get control of the pond. If Melrose is to save this pond for the use of its citizens as a beauty spot and a recreation centre, something must be done to the shore line on the northwesterly side to stop the seepage into the pond before the weeds can be controlled.

During the year a fence was erected along Tremont Street side of the pond area, which has greatly improved the appearance of this section of the park and also has eliminated the dumping therein, and we hope that we shall be able within the next few years at little expense grade and seed this area and make it another beauty spot in Melrose in place of a dump.

In the early spring the area between the hockey rink and the

knoll was leveled off and graded and we have hopes that it will seed itself in, as has the front of the office on the Boulevard.

UNEMPLOYMENT AND WELFARE HELP

We have received from the Mayor's Committee for the Relief of the Unemployment a total of $10,898 during the year for which they have sent men to us to work this money out. The Board of Public Welfare has also sent men to work in the Park Department for a total of 4,155 hours during the year, and both of these groups of men have done considerable work in our department under the direction of the regular Park Department men. The most of this work has been of constructive nature, such as rebuilding the diamonds at both the Common and Messenger's fields,, clearing the land along Tremont Street, clearing the underbrush from Sewall's Woods and also the dead leaves to prevent fires, clearing the brush along the road leading up to Mount Hood, cleaning the weeds from the pond and the shore line, raising the office and recreation building and placing a two foot foundation under the same, and constructing the new office, clearing the knoll and rebuilding the walks both on the Boulevard side and near the Bathhouse, making a very favorable and sightly approach to this section of the park.

PLAYGROUNDS AND RECREATION

During the year considerable progress was made in what is termed constructive play, namely making articles with the hands of a useful nature in cement, wood, etc.

Cement Class

Number registered	25
Average attendance	15
Articles completed:	
Stepping stones	30
Frogs	40
Rabbits	15
Door stops	3
Square urns	20
Round urns	3
Bird baths	2
Total articles	113

Woodcraft Class (boys)

Number registered	30
Average attendance	12
Articles completed:	
Door stops	25
Letter holders	20
Plant sticks	10
Lawn ornaments	13
Sewing boxes	10
Letter openers	15
Total articles	93

Model Aircraft

Number registered..... 40
Average attendance 18
Type of planes constructed:
Gliders, Baby ROG, Baby ROW, Senior ROG, and also scale models of famous planes both native and foreign.

Woodcraft Class (girls)

Number registered 21
Average attendance 11
Articles completed:
Door stops 14
Letter openers 11
Plant sticks 8
Lawn ornaments 12
Embroidered articles 21
Decorated jars 9
Lamp shades 8
Leather belts 14
Cellophane belts 16

Total articles 119

The above articles were all made in the classes, which are held in the building on the Boulevard, in which boys and girls are given the opportunity to make useful articles with their hands, which is their form of recreation. With the new office completed in front of this building we are now in a better position to cater to these boys and girls and are now able to have both classes for boys and girls in operation all during the day, without interfering with the other.

Baseball enjoyed one of the best seasons since the war, this was caused principally by the lack of employment, especially amongst the older boys over the age of 16 years and up to 30 years of age. I feel that this coming summer will see even a greater use of the playgrounds being made for older boys' recreation, especially baseball, and we should make an effort to have the Athletic Field turned over to the department for this use. These older boys are a detriment to the younger children on the playgrounds and also the instructors, and should be taken off the playgrounds onto the Athletic Field for all forms of recreation during the summer months.

Number of games in Park Leagues during summer:

Cub League.....19 Midget League.....15 Junior League.....14
Total games on Messenger's for season..... 152
Total games on Common for season..... 73

The reason for the smaller number of games on the Common than Messenger's, is accounted for by the Common diamond being practically unusable for Twilight games, owing to the position of the sun in relation to the playing field at this hour.

During each playground season each playground has a picnic, in which all the children from that playground who wish are

allowed to bring their lunch and all are taken on the park truck to some handy grounds for an outing. This year each playground group was taken to Spot Pond Zoo. The total attendance for each day for these groups was as follows:

Messenger's	46	Common	57
Lincoln	44	Hesseltine	60
Ripley	52		

Each year there are what is termed "Special daye," such as "Baseball Day," when all the boys who have played on the teams, are taken to the Boston American League game as the guests of Mr. Robert Quinn, the owner; "Swimming Meet Day"; "Athletic Field Day"; and "Tennis Tournament Day." The attendance for these days was as follows this season:

Red Sox baseball game	78	Athletic Field Day	300
Canobie Lake outing	34	Swimming Meet	500
Tennis Tournament	125		

During the season a plan for the registration of the children on the various playgrounds was put into operation. The following figures give that registration of the children using the playgrounds under supervised play;

Playground	Families Represented	Number of Children
Hesseltine (open about one month)	81	114
Lincoln	66	118
Common	67	134
Ripley	42	82
Messenger's	30	66

Attendance on the various playgrounds was as follows:

Playground	Daily Average	Total for Season
Messenger's	155	6,677
Common	144	6,191
Lincoln	109	4,659
Hesseltine	92	2,025
Ripley	75	3,194
Bathhouse	835	54,376
Tennis on Boulevard (estimated)		2,000
Special Days, Picnics, etc.		1,296
Classes on Boulevard	74	2,570
Total attendance for Play and Recreation activities	1,484	82,988

The following persons were employed by the department during the season. At the Bathhouse, Life Guard, James Keating; Assistants, Paul Robbins and Francis Jenkins; Attendants, George Alther, Mrs. Jennie Nickerson and Miss Katheryn Jones. On the Playgrounds, Miss Ellen Lewis, Office Assistant, and Acting Supervisor, Miss Mildred Furber; Special Work, Miss Louise Fahey at Messenger's; Miss Beulah Kelly at Lincoln; Miss Dorothy Guest at Common; Miss Barbara Wildes at Hesseltine, Ruth Pipe at Ripley, Leighton Harvey, Boys' Aircraft and Woodwork, with Mr. M. James Hanley as Police Officer at the Bathhouse.

To the members of the Park Commission for their loyal support and helpful co-operation, and to all those mentioned above I express my humble appreciation for their co-operation and spirit of loyalty, without which our season would not have been nearly so successful.

FINANCIAL STATEMENT

General Administration, salaries and wages			$2 800.00
Salary of Superintendent			2,800.00
General Administration, other expenses			200.00
From Unemployed men for Insurance			34.07
Appropriation for Insurance			150.00
Appropriation for Water Bills			60.06
Appropriation for general account			60.00
Total amount available in this account			$504.13
Expenditures:			
Insurance	$251.34		
Oil heater	58.00		
Rent for storage	45.00		
Water bills	60.06		
Telephone	51.69		
Printing	7.25		
Electricity and small items	30.22		
Total Expenditures		$503.56	
Balance		.57	$504.13
Parks and Gardens, salaries and wages			$1.600.00
Salaries paid laborers			1,600.00
Parks and Gardens, other expenses			500.00
Transferred to Bathhouse and Beaches			35.82
Balance available			$464.18

Expenditures:			
Loam	$60.00		
Sharpening tools	49.95		
Seed, fertilizer	64.90		
Flowers	34.86		
Weed Killer	49.74		
Tools	33.85		
Hardware, paint for repairs	61.85		
Lumber supplies	94.09		
Miscellaneous small items	14.89		
Total expenditures		$464.08	
Balance		.10	$464.18
Automotive			$400.00
Transfer from Playgrounds			63.72
Transfer from Ell Pond Knoll order			32.06
From Excess and Deficiency			35.00
Total available			$530.78
Expenditures:			
Insurance	$148.60		
Repairs and maintenance	140.71		
Oil	26.48		
Gas and batteries	212.60	$528.39	
Balance		2.39	$530.78
Playgrounds, salaries and wages			$3,000.00
Paid out to labor and playground workers			3,000.00
Playgrounds, other expenses			$1,000.00
Expenditures:			
Rent for storage		$150.00	
First Aid equipment		22.65	
Chloride and Asphalt		72.60	
Electricity		50.89	
Hardware, paint for repairs		175.76	
Lumber for repairs, etc.		155.41	
Cement and shavings		20.00	
Small equipment and supplies		160.67	
Sand for boxes		21.00	
Printing		20.25	
Plumbing		48.51	
Badges		20.71	
Transferred to Automotive		63.72	
Transferred to Bathhouse		17.83	
Total expenditures			$1,000.00

Bathhouse and Beaches, salaries and wages		$2,800.00
Paid to labor and bathhouse attendants		2,800.00
Bathhouse and Beaches, other expenses		500.00
Transfer from Parks and Gardens, other expenses		35.82
Transfer from Playground, other expenses		17.83
Total available		$553.65
Expenditures:		
Sand for beach	$371.00	
Bathhouse supplies	33.20	
Printing	22.50	
Electricity	25.78	
First Aid equipment	28.49	
Lumber and hardware	29.01	
Chemical for toilets	43.67	
Total expenditures		$553.65
Appropriation		$121.86
Paid Public Works Department		121.86
Ell Pond Knoll Special Gift		200.00
Transferred to Automotive		32.06
Balance available		$167.94
Expenditures:		
Labor and material for new walks		167.94
Lloyd Square Special Appropriation		$85.00
Expenditures:		
Bronze tablet	$19.00	
Loam, gas and labor	57.12	
Balance	8.88	$85.00

Respectfully submitted,

ELMER O. GOODRIDGE, Chairman
NEIL S. CASEY
ETHEL G. COLLINS
GRACE T. HUME
GEORGE F. LUFKIN

Report of Pine Banks Park

To the Board of Trustees of Pine Banks Park:

Gentlemen:

I submit herewith the report of the Park for the year of 1932.

Four thousand seven hundred yards of mud were removed from the pond and fifty loads of sand were spread along the shore making the pond the beauty spot of the park, also eliminating the mosquitoes.

Three hundred square feet of stone gutters were rebuilt on the avenues.

The drains on the lowlands were kept cleaned out.

Cutting of underbrush and removing dead trees was done on four acres of lowlands south of Pine Banks Road.

Dead branches were removed from about 300 large pine trees.

Thirty-five cords of wood were given to the needy of Melrose and Malden, the same being delivered by the park's truck.

Forty-four square feet of cement walk were built near the Lodge.

The cottage was painted and chimney repaired. The piazza floor of the Log Cabin also was repaired and new steps built.

One hundred and fifty-two permits were given out, 98 from Malden and 54 teams from Melrose.

The girls' field hockey teams from Malden and Melrose High Schools used the large south field daily from September 10th to November 19th.

The Melrose Archery Club have used the field reserved for them considerable during the spring and fall.

The American Legion Band of Malden used the large center field two evenings a week during the summer, attracting large crowds.

Two timber wolves were added to the Zoo. A donation from Fells Zoo.

Two pet monkeys were donated to the Zoo by private parties

Two Rhesis monkeys were born at the Zoo, which attracted much attention.

The children's playground with its swings, ocean wave, chutes, tilts, horizontal ladder and sand box have been in constant use from May 1st to October 30th.

Eighty-five cars and 191 persons registered at the tourist camp during the summer.

By actual count on May 1st, 500 persons visited the park, on May 14th 1000 and May 15th 800. It is estimated that about 30,000 persons visited the park during the year.

The amount of money spent by the Melrose Unemployment Committee from November 30th, 1931 to December 29th, 1932, was $6,276.50.

The mowing of the four ball fields, Archery Field and Tourist Camp grounds, repairing of cages and buildings and much of the general work was done by men furnished by the Melrose Unemployment Committee.

Respectfully submitted,

GEORGE H. CRAY,
Superintendent

Report of Planning Board

To the Honorable, the Mayor, and Honorable Board of Aldermen:
Melrose, Massachusetts.
Gentlemen:

The year 1932 has been a busy year, calling for decisions of importance to the welfare to the city. Unquestionably, the next two years will bring problems of increasing importance to the future of Melrose, due to the present situation, which will force many people to use residential property for immediate gain which will in future years prove a great detriment to the city. Increasing vigilance and serious study must be given in order to prevent hardship in the present crisis, and at the same time furnish protection for the future against blighted districts.

At the first meeting of the year, January 12, the Planning Board sent the following recommendation to the Board of Aldermen. "To the Honorable Board of Aldermen;—The City Planning Board respectfully recommends that the following amendment be added to Chap. 17, Police Dept., Sect. 6, line 6 in the Revised Ordinances. It shall be the duty of each and every Police Officer to take notice of any building construction and report to the Building Commissioner, the absence of a building permit. Respectfully submitted." The amendment was passed Februery 18, 1932.

The Board received a letter from the Malden City Planning Board, March 14, asking for co-operation in preventing the use of the Boston Rubber Shoe Company property in Malden for slaughtering purposes and for rendering. The Board voted unanimously to express the opinion that such use would be highly objectionable and to urge that the petition be denied. A letter was written and permission given to print if necessary.

Two requests for important changes from residence to business use have been referred to the Board for opinion. The decision, in both cases that such change would be inadvisable was upheld by the Board of Aldermen.

Melrose occupies the unique position of having a business district allotment which is within the limit set by the best zoning minds of the country as correct. Almost every city and town is suffering from too great a business area which has injured the residential uses within the business limits without increasing to any appreciable extent, the tax values. The Chairman of the Planning Board of Darien, Conn., having heard of the enviable position of Melrose in the matter of business districts, wrote to the Board asking advice in reducing an over large business A district. Later, the revised map of Darien and a letter of thanks for the advice was received.

March 16 a petition was received from Joseph Cefalo requesting permission to complete a green-house plant which had been begun in 1924. Only one person appeared in opposition, the objection being on account of a smoke nuisance. After careful study the Board granted the permit with the provision that the smoke nuisance be abated.

The case was one of more than usual interest and will be fully analyzed in an accompanying paper.

April 5th, William Tyrle applied for permission to connect two one-family houses, one of which had been vacant for a long time, by a ninety foot one-story corridor in order that the buildings might be used for a home for aged people. At the hearing, April 11, sixty residents appeared in opposition to the project. Only one person appeared in favor, and he was a resident of the house. The owner did not appear. Permission was denied.

May 5, application was made by Paolino Spadafora for a permit to build a store for the sale of products of his garden. It had been his custom to sell his products from Melrost Street, upon which street his home faced. The land comprising about an acre bordered on Lynn Fells Parkway and adjoined the High School lot The plan was opposed by all the residents of the vicinity, the School Committee and the Park Commission. The Board voted to deny the petition.

Two applications were received for greenhouses. The first by Myron Gray of Lebanon Street was a request to remodel an old pigeon cote for the raising of plants for local distribution. A large number of people appeared in favor and no objections being filed the Board granted the petition with the provision that there was to be no advertising in papers or signs used and no soft coal used for fuel.

The second case was the petition of Daniel Lucey for a green house on a dead end street. A large greenhouse was operating in the immediate vicinity. The neighboring residents signed a petition in favor of the project providing no soft coal was used. Permission was granted with the proviso that no soft coal be used. An interesting after effect was the reduction of a smoke nuisance in the larger green house through a visit from the State Smoke Nuisance Inspector.

A joint meeting was held in November with the Stoneham Board to consider the Spot Pond Drainage question which the Board has been studying for the past three years. Mr. Milano, as Chairman of the Aldermanic committee which had been appointed by the Mayor to study the problem, was present and a plan of action was laid out which included a joint meeting to be held early in 1933 with the Malden, Melrose and Stoneham Planning Boards, and the understanding that Alderman Milano, who had been elected to Legislature would present a bill calling for a study of the whole problem.

A carefully prepared study of the need of some remedial legislation was filed with the Board of Aldermen on December 28, 1932. The loss of tax values was stressed and careful study of other swampy section of the city which had been reclaimed and comparitive values before and after reclamation formed a part of the report. This report is added to this report as bearing very definitely on the question which will come before the Aldermen early in the year 1933.

The Board was enabled, through co-operation with the Engineer's Emergency Relief Association, to use the services of a very able engineer, a resident of Melrose, in the preparation of a complete set of tracings of assessment plans, without expense to the city. Copies were made of the tracings at the very low price of $16.00. These plans will be invaluable in the assessment study which the Board has chosen as the work for 1933. There is a great need of yearly records of certain data for the use of the various committees, and some data is being lost by the delay. The Board regrets that they will be unable to prepare this data as planned.

They recommend that measure looking to the careful scaling of the Zoning Map, be undertaken at the earliest possible moment.

Respectfully Submitted,

EVA G. OSGOOD
For the Board

March 17, 1933

Report of Police Department

Hon. Robert A. Perkins,
Mayor of Melrose,
Melrose, Mass.

Dear Sir:

In accordance with Chapter 29 of the Revised Ordinances I respectfully submit the annual report of the Melrose Police Department for the year ending December 31, 1932.

POLICE SIGNAL SYSTEM

Number of duty calls reported	49445
Number of telephone calls	11661
Number of wagon calls	8
Number of ambulance calls	225

I again respectfully recommend that police boxes and red lights be installed at corner of Heywood Avenue and Damon Avenue, Glen and Melbourne Avenue, Sanford and Tappan Streets.

Owing to the growth of the vicinities of the proposed boxes I believe them necessary to properly protect these districts.

SPOT LIGHTS

I recommend the installation of a spot light so located on Main Street to protect officers at junction of Porter, Lebanon and Main Streets.

MOTOR VEHICLE EQUIPMENT

One G.M.C combination and patrol wagon
One Packard Ambulance
One Packard Sedan
One Graham Paige Cruising car
Three Harley Davison motorcycles. One in good condition. Two about worn out.

MISCELLANEOUS WORK PERFORMED

Accidents reported	126
Buildings found open	502
Complaints investigated	1481
Defects in street reported	185
Fire alarms given	9
Officers attending fire alarms	358
Officers on ambulance cases	554

Notices served	116
Letters delivered	3041
Street lights reported out	336
Disturbances suppressed	100
Lost children care for	52
Street obstructions removed	47
Lanterns placed in dangerous places	81
Property recovered	$7,862.00
Water leaks reported	69
Special messages delivered	153
Wires reported burning trees	19
Automobiles tagged	562
Visits to libraries	249
Automobiles stopped and warned	1747
Animals shot	3
Dead animals reported	2
Jury investigations	7
Special detail	10
Sick signs placed	47
Wires reported down	11
Gas leaks reported	6
Missing persons	26
Assisted other officers in arrests	262
Persons assisted home	13
Dead bodys cared for	1
Street signs reported down	5
Extra hours duty	281
Number of hours traffic duty	14,626
Attending Police Court	159
Attending Superior Court	54

CONCLUSION

There never has been a time when the importance of maintaining the organization and equipment of police departments in an efficient manner as at the present time.

I wish to thank you and the Board of Alderman for the generous measure of co-operation given the policies and measures which I have advocated and for the spirit of helpfulness manifested toward my efforts during the year.

My thanks are due the Justices, Clerks and Probation Officers of the First District Court of Eastern Middlesex for the advice and assistance rendered, also to many citizens for kind co-operation and valuable information.

On the evening of Wednesday, August 24, 1933 Sam Lee, laundryman, was brutally assaulted and murdered at his place of business at 190 Grove Street.

The capture of his alleged murderer was effected by the promptness of Mr. Peter J. Curran and Mrs. Frank N. Pierce in notifying the police department of the tragedy, the quick response and extraordinary courage of officer Truman E. Warner in apprehending the criminal, and the unusual efficient and capable handling of the case by Sergeant Joseph V. Curran and Lieutenant William T. Fahy, acting head of the police department.

I acknowledge with grateful appreciation the services rendered by the citizens and members of the police department mentioned above.

To the officers and patrolman and all others connected with the department I desire to express my appreciation for their loyalty and excellent service rendered during the year.

Respectfully submitted,

LOUIS B. HEATON,
Captain in Charge

Report of Registrars of Voters

To his Honor, the Mayor and the Board of Aldermen,
City of Melrose, Mass.
Gentlemen:

The Board of Registrars of Voters respectfully submits its annual report for the year 1932.

Four Elections were held during the past year, the Presidential Primaries, State Primary, State Election and the City Election.

The business of the Board sessions were confined to making up the annual Jury list, copies of which were sent to the several courts in our jurisdiction, revision of the alphabetical list of all voters of the city, as required by law, supervising the revisions of the annual registration. The holding of meetings of registration amounting to 52 meeting, with the result that the revisions, after making deductions and the additions of new registrations, the result was as follows:

On Sept. 22, 1931, there was a total of 11,198 voters on the list viz:

Ward 1	2-1	2-2	3-1	3-2	4	5	6	7-1	7-2	Total
1420	1071	1027	820	773	1407	1468	1599	1314	299	11198
Total after close of registration Nov. 23, 1932										
1574	1184	1206	904	907	1550	1735	1816	1495	369	12740

At the City Election, Dec. 13th, voting machines were used in Ward 4. The machines were supplied by the Automatic Voting Machine Coporation of Jamestown, N. Y. Three machines were used. Count was taken of the time consumed in voting and it was found to be from 15 seconds to 2 minutes, in a few cases. The best test was made during the last hour of voting, from 7 to 8 P.M., when over 100 voters passed through without delay. At the close of voting the count was known within 15 minutes, and by 9 P.M. all was transposed to the Record Book and returned to the City Clerk's Office, making a saving on time by 12 hours on the State Election.

The voters were well pleased and the City has to thank the Automatic Voting Machine Corp. for carrying on without cost to the City.

The Board wishes again to call the attention to the necessity of dividing Wards 1-4-5-6-7-1 into 2 precints each and ward 2 into three precincts. All these wards are running between 1500 and 2000 voters. No favorable action was taken by the Aldermen on previous requests and with the heavy registration that can be expected in coming elections, will add confusion and cause delay in counting and tallying the vote.

Respectfully submitted,

VICTOR C. KIRMES, Clerk

Report of Sealer of Weights and Measures

To His Honor, the Mayor, and the Board of Aldermen.
Gentlemen:

I herewith submit to you the annual report for the Department of Weights and Measures, for the year ending December 31, 1932.

WEIGHING AND MEASURING DEVICES

	Sealed	Not Sealed	Condemned
Scales			
Platform over 5000 lbs.	3		
Platform under 5000 lbs.	35		
Counter under 100 lbs.	18	1	
Beam under 100 lbs.	46		
Spring over 100 lbs.	16		
Spring under 100 lbs.	113		
Computing under 100 lbs.	114		
Personal weighing	20		
Prescription	13		
Weights			
Avoirdupois	299		
Apothecary	65		
Troy	10		
Measures			
Liquid	115		
Glass Graduates	40		
Dry	5		
Gasolene pumps	34		
Gasolene meters	65		1
Kerosene pumps	1		
Yard Sticks	25		
Grease measuring machines	11		
Cloth measuring machines	1		
Oil Jars			35
Quantity meas. on gas pumps	230		
	1279	1	36
Oil Dispensing jars inspected	479		
	1758		

Inspections

Bread	247
Cake	83
Butter	107
Meats	63
Cheese	65
Potatoes	51
Milk Jars	91
Containers	56
Peddlers	19
Peddlers' Scales	11
Trans. Vendors	2
Clinical Therm.	12
Wood Meas. Dev.	3
	810

Cost of Department

Salary and wages	$1000.00
Other expenses	324.01
	$1324.01

Receipts

Paid to City Treasurer

License Fees	$ 70.00
Sealing Fees	110.80
	$ 180.80

Inventory

In addition to the appended list of working equipment this department has

1 Roll top desk
1 Swivel chair
1 5x8 filing cabinet
1 Stenciling set
1 Leather case for carrying equipment
1 Royal signet typewriter and case
1 Test scale computing type
1 Test scale platform type
1 Gasolene funnel
Miscellaneous small tools

Respectfully submitted,

WESLEY H. MURRAY, Sealer

Report of Soldiers' Relief Department

To His Honor Mayor Robert A. Perkins and the
Honorable Board of Aldermen,
Melrose, Massachusetts.
Gentlemen:

I most respectfully submit herewith the following report of the Department of Soldiers Benefits for the year 1932.

GENERAL ADMINISTRATION

Salary and Wages

Receipts:		
Appropriation		$900.00
Expended:		
Salary of Agent	$900.00	
	$900.00	$900.00

Other Expense

Appropriation		$150.00
Expended	$149.78	
Balance	.22	
	$150.00	$150.00

STATE AID

(Due from Commonwealth Nov. 1933)

State Aid:		
Appropriation		$2,000.00
Extra Appropriation		450.00
Expended	$2,392.00	
Balance	58.00	
	$2,450.00	$2,450.00

MILITARY AID

(One-half due from Commonwealth, Nov. 1933)

Appropriation		$300.00
Transfer Order 948	$150.00	
Expended	65.75	
Balance	84.25	
	$300.00	$300.00

SOLDIERS' BENEFITS

Outside City Relief

Approriation		$1,000.00
Transferred to Soldiers' Relief Order No. 846	$1,000.00	
	$1,000.00	$1,000.00

SOLDIERS' BURIAL

(Due from Commonwealth Nov. 1933)

Appropriation		$500.00
No Expenditures		
Transfers to Soldiers' Relief Nos. 948, 1018..	$500.00	
	$500.00	$500.00

HOME AND HOSPITAL

Civil War Veterans Widows only
(Paid by State Treasurer and one-half taken from State Taxes by State)

Expended	$1,056.00

SOLDIERS' RELIEF

Appropriation		$17,000.00
Extra Appropriation and Transfers		11,129.56
Credit refunds		35.00
Expended:		
Cash	$20,961.00	
Groceries	4,734.64	
Fuel	1,848.17	
Milk	198.16	
Rent	204.00	
Medicine	21.87	
Doctors	108.00	
Hospital	12.00	
Shoes	49.89	
Glasses	3.50	
	$28,141.23	
Balance	25.33	
	$28,166 56	$28,166.56

Respectfully submitted,

MARY A. KENAH, Agent

Report of Wire Department

To the Honorable Mayor and Board of Aldermen,
Melrose, Mass.

Gentlemen:

I respectfully submit the following report of the Wire Department for the year ending December 31, 1932.

Fire Alarm System.

One new box was installed at the corner of Porter Street and Sheffield Road.

All boxes painted one coat of Fire Alarm Red.

Twelve hundred and six inspections of box movements were made, making necessary adjustments.

Twenty miles of new weatherproof wire were installed.

Two hundred and twelve cross arms were replaced.

Police Signal.

Six hundred and ten inspections of box movements were made.

All boxes and red lights were cleaned and painted.

A blinker was installed on red light system so that headquarters could call scout cars or patrolmen or both.

Twelve miles of weatherproof wire were pulled in.

One hundred and twenty five cross arms were replaced.

Inspection of Wires.

Eight hundred and fifty four requests for inspections were received, the total number of inspections made were fourteen hundred and three.

Six hundred and three permits were issued the Malden Electric Co., allowing the current turned on.

Respectfully submitted,

FRED A. EDWARDS,
Inspector of Wires

Report of Fence Viewers

Report of the Board of Fence Viewers of the City of Melrose,
For year 1932.

Although many citizens of Melrose inquired of the Board of Fence Viewers concerning the application of the law and ordinances in regard to their respective fence and boundry line problems, only one case was heard and a decree made by the Board.

No part of appropriation made for the Board was used.

Respectfully submitted,

DANIEL J. LUCEY,
Chairman of the Board of Fence Viewers

Report of Public Works Department

To the Honorable Mayor and Board of Aldermen,
Melrose, Mass.

Gentlemen:

The thirty-third annual report of the Public Works Department is herewith submitted.

This department has been greatly assisted in the performance of its duties by the close co-operation of the Mayor and Board of Aldermen, and by all of the employees who have worked loyally for the best interest of the city.

Credit for this report is given to the heads of the various divisions of the Public Works Department who have compiled it.

WATER DIVISION

Two thousand four hundred sixty-three feet of new mains were laid during the year of which amount two hundred sixty-nine feet were relays, replacing small size iron pipe.

Seventy-four new services were laid and ninety-nine old services renewed with cement lined pipe.

Three additional hydrants have been set and two hydrants reset (size increased).

Eighty-three meters were installed and twelve removed.

The following repairs and changes have been made:

16 joints in iron mains repaired.
3 leaks in cement lined pipe repaired.
70 service leaks in streets repaired.
25 services in streets cleaned.
50 services in private premises renewed.
99 services renewed in the street.
4 services abandoned.
169 old meters discarded and replaced with new.

WATER CONSTRUCTION — 1932

LOCATION	Cast Iron Pipe		Gates		Hydrants	
	Size Inches	Length Feet	Size Inches	No.	Size Inches	No.
New High School, Tremont St. to Ashland Pl.	8	545	8	1		
New High School, Tremont St. to Ashland Pl.	6	57	6	1	6	1
Perham Ave., for hydrant			4	1	4	1
Mt. Vernon Ave., Sylvan St. north	6	356	6	1		
Rockview Ave., Mt. Vernon Ave., westerly	6	48	6	1		
Prescott St., at Hydrant			4	1		
Glendale Ave., ext. easterly to Damon Ave.	6	33				
Derby Road, extension southerly	6	272	6	1		
Lodge Ave., ext. westerly to Derby Rd.	6	40	6	1		
Perkins St., at hydrant near no. 97	6	21	6	1		
Glen St., new hydrant			6	1		
Ashland Pl., connecting new line to school	6	96	6	2	6	1
Lincoln St., Lynn Fells Parkway southerly	6	337	6	1		
Sylvan St., extension easterly to cemetery	10	390				
Totals		2194		13		3

SUMMARY OF PIPE LAID—1259 lin. ft. 6 in.
545 " " 8 "
390 " " 10 "
Total 2194 " "

WATER RELAY — 1932

LOCATION	Cast Iron		Pipe Abandoned		Kind	Hydrants	
	Size Inches	Length Feet	Size Inches	Length Feet		Size Inches	No.
Perham Ave., Grove St., north	4	269	2	269	Iron		
Glen St., at Lynde Ave.						6	1
Lebanon St., at hydrant opp. no. 33						6	1
Totals		269		269			2

HIGHWAY CONSTRUCTION — 1932

STREET	FROM	TO	No. of Blocks	EDGESTONE		MACADAM	
				Straight	Curved	Lin ft.	Sq. Yds.
Ruggles St.....	Howard St.....	Brook.....	14	520.5		295.0	720.0
Pilgrim Rd.....	Wentworth Rd....	Standish Rd.....	14	680.3	164.2	460.0	1125.0
Glendale Ave.....	Hesseltine Ave....	Damon Ave.....	30	926.0	94.3	600.0	1470.0
Mt. Vernon Ave....	Sylvan St.....	Northerly 1550 ft.	51	2398.8	188.6	1560.0	3815.0
Standish Rd.....	Pilgrim Rd.....	Southerly 200 ft..	4	278.5	25.0	185.0	440.0
		TOTALS	113	4804.1	472.1	3100.0	7570.0

INDIVIDUAL WALKS — 1932

STREET	NAME	EDGESTONE—Lin. Feet		GRANOLITHIC—Sq. Ft.	
		Straight	Curved	Walks	Drives
Franklin St., cor. Tremont St..	L. Deffararri	29.5		415.7	628.0
Emerson St.	Mrs. E. E. Babb			763.5	79.1
Rowe St., no. 9	Rufus Smith			265.0	
Pearl St., no. 36	Henniger				83.4
Warwick Rd., no. 111	Owen Munn				32.0
Beverly St., no. 11	Robeson				33.0
		29.5		1444.2	855.5

Additional to above work 19 driveways with cor. blocks and aprons were laid.

CONTINUOUS WALKS — 1932

STREET	FROM	TO	No. Blocks	EDGESTONE Lin. Feet		GRANOLITHIC Sq. Feet		Sodding
				Straight	Curved	Walks	Drives	Sq. Ft.
Swain's Pond Ave.	Grove St.	Staples St.	8	450.4	11.0	2183.3	571.5	1518
Perkins St.	Warwick Rd.	Stoneham Line	2	100.0		1721.5	574.2	1836
Damon Ave. and Frost Ave.	Hawes Ave.	Boardman Ave.	10	600.1	15.8	2928.7	625.5	2390
Waiton Park	Orris St.	No. 126 Walton Pk.	4	290.0	68.0	1779.3	148.8	920
Irving and Appleton Sts.	Harvard St.	No. 18 Irving St. inc	10	340.0	15.8	1811.9	469.8	1184
W. Wyoming Ave., so. side	Melbourne Ave.	Garland St.	16	360.4				
W. Wyoming Ave., no. side	No. 219 Wyoming Av	Ravine Ter.	13	300.0		1021.9	877.0	
Lovell Rd.	Main St.	Damon Ave.				9169.0	3088.8	7154
Glen St.	Lynde Ave.	Washington St.				5605.3	1377.0	3290
Keniston Rd.	Linden Rd.	Harding Rd.				3106.9	564.0	1549
East St. and Upham St.	No. 15 East St.	No. 354 Upham St.				1611.0	460.0	
Ruggles St.	Howard St.	Brook				2176.2	617.4	
Glendale Ave.	Hesseltine Ave.	Damon Ave.				4764.9	1527.2	2701
		TOTALS	63	2440.9	110.6	37,879.9	10,901.2	22,542

SEWERS AND DRAINS DIVISION

A sewer to Glendale Avenue extending from Ruggles Street via an unaccepted part of Damon Avenue, was constructed during the past year. The remaining sewer work of the year consisted of the construction of a trunk sewer from Sylvan Street easterly to Lebanon Street, via Pine Banks Park and the Wyoming Cemetery. This important work had been contemplated for many years and will provide an outlet for further sewer extensions throughout most of the un-sewered southeast section of the city.

Surface Drainage work has been mostly drains needed in the construction of new streets. The covering of Spot Pond Brook was continued north of Everett Street westerly to Crescent Avenue, a distance of nearly four hundred feet. Details of all work are shown in the table of Surface Drainage Construction.

SEWER CONSTRUCTION — 1932

STREET	LOCATION	Pipe		No. M. Hs
		Size Inches	Length Feet	
Damon Ave...	Ruggles St. to Glendale Ave.....	8	578	3
Glendale Ave..	Damon Ave., westerly.....	8	218	1
Trunk Sewer.	Sylvan St. to Lebanon St (via Pine Banks Pk. and Wyom Cem.)	18	2810	13
	TOTALS		3606	17

SUMMARY

796 lin. ft. 8 in.
2810 lin. ft. 18 in.
17 Manholes
Number of house connections made during 1931 — 61

SEWER SYSTEM AS OF DEC. 31, 1932

6 in.	Akron pipe.....	137,662 lin. ft.
8 "	" "	89,576 " "
10 "	" "	21,696 " "
12 "	" "	12,916 " "
15 "	" "	4,830 " "
18 "	" "	8,740 " "
20 "	" "	2,788 " "
24 "	" "	1,213 " "
18 x 20	Brick.....	3035 " "
20 in.	"	111 " "
24 "	"	28 " "
		282,604 lin. ft.

Total number of feet in length of sewer 282,604 lin. ft. or 53.52 miles, 2.40 miles of which are owned and controlled by the Commonwealth of Massachusetts, but by Act of Legislature, Melrose is permitted to use these in the same manner as local sewers.

SURFACE DRAINAGE CONSTRUCTION — 1932

STREET AND LOCATION	Pipe Size nches	Pipe Length feet	No. of Manholes	No. of Catch Basins
Frost Ave. at Brook			0	1
Mt. Vernon Ave., Sylvan St. North	12	726	3	7
" " " low pt. North of	10	404	2	0
" " " Rockview Ave., to Boston Rock Rd	15	152	2	2
Sylvan St., Main St., to Mt. Vernon St	12	400	2	0
Standish Road, near Pilgrim Rd	12	90	0	2
Washington St., South of Trenton St	15	42	0	1
		1814	9	13
CULVERTS				
	Feet			
Spot Pond Brook, extension North of	8.0 x 4.0	372	2	Covered
Spot Pond, Everett St., to Crescent Ave		120	Walled	Both Sides
Perkins St., near Stoneham line	3.0 x 4.0	25	rebuilt	1
SUMMARY				
Pipe Lines	10	404		
	12	1216		
	15	194	Total	1814 lin. ft.
	Feet			
Culverts	8.0 x 4.0	372		
	3.0 x 4.0	25	Total	397 lin. ft.
			11 Man Holes	
			14 Catch Basins	

STATISTICS
of
CITY OF MELROSE, MIDDLESEX COUNTY
MASSACHUSETTS

Location	7 miles north of Boston
Population April 1, 1932	23,783
Number of voters	12,740
Greatest extent of the city north and south	2.44 miles
Greatest extent of the city east and west	2.95 miles
Valuation of Real Estate	$34,565,850
Valuation of Personal Property	$2,255,100
Tax Rate	$31.80

Area of City:		
Land		3,079.50 acres
Water	35.50 acres	3,115 acres
Length of Public Streets		56.21 miles
Length of Private Streets		18.95 miles
Total length of water mains		67.20 miles
Total length of sewers		53.52 miles
Range of pressure on mains from		100 to 23 lbs.
Number of 600 candlepower incandescent lights		64
Number of 250 candlepower incandescent lights		43
Number of 60 candlepower incandescent lights		951
Number of luminous arcs, all night....61 to midnight....21....		82
Number of automatic traffic signal outfits		9

Areas of Park:

Lincoln School Playground	1.60 acres
Horace mann Playground	.60 acres
Melrose Common	4.4 acres
Sewall Woods Park	9.0 acres
Ell Pond Park	34.41 acres
Pine Banks Park	81.8 acres
Middlesex Fells	170.0 acres
Area of Wyoming Cemetery	43.5 acres
Bowden Park	.62 acres
Messengers Meadow Playground	2.89 acres
Elevation Main Street at City Hall	61 ft. above mean low tide
Elevation Franklin Square	85 ft. above mean low tide

Financial Statement
of
Public Works Department, 1932

WATER CONSTRUCTION

Balance		$ 110.57	
Budget		5,000.00	
B. of A. Orders		1,200.00	$ 6,310.57
Expended			
Meters:			
New	$966.93		
Installation	133.54	1,100.47	
Services		2,490.79	
Main Line		2,670.04	6,261.30
Balance			$ 49.27

WATER CONSTRUCTION-SPECIAL ACCOUNT

B. of A. Order No. 974			$20,055.97
Expended			
Labor		$ 1,169.85	
Stock, teams and overhead		145.65	
Invoices		811.12	2,126.62
Balance			$17,929.35

COST OF WATER SYSTEM

Construction to January 1, 1932	$841,675.07	
Construction 1932	8,387.92	
Cost of System to January 1, 1933		$850,062.99

INSIDE SERVICES & CHARGES

Receipts and Deposits		$ 4,753.47	
Less:			
Overdraft 1931	$1,083.87		
Refunds	1,270.03	2,353.90	$ 2,399.57

Expended			
Labor		1,663.75	
Stock, teams and overhead		1,958.30	
Invoices		63.18	3,685.23
Overdraft			$ 1,285.66

WATER MAINTENANCE

Budget 1932		$18,000.00	
Cash Receipts		401.79	$18,401.79
Expended			
Overhead:			
Salaries and Wages	$2,295.89		
Expense	2,012.22		
	4,308.11		
Less Credits Received	1,844.13	2,463.98	
Material:			
Stock Labor	513.75		
Purchases	4,322.84		
	4,836.59		
Less Credits Received	4,389.89	446.70	
Hydrants		1,494.97	
Main Line		1,361.74	
Meters:			
Read	3,281.51		
Remove and Repair	2,970.26	6,251.77	
Services		5,879.69	
Relay Mains:			
Perham Avenue		395.02	
Minor Charges		2.42	18,296.29
Balance			$ 105.50

HIGHWAY REPAIRING

Budget 1932		$25,000.00	
Cash Receipts		1,115.53	26,115.53
Less B. of A. Order No. 1015		200.00	$25,915.53

	Expended		
Overhead:			
Salaries and Wages	$ 289.98		
Expense	2350.61		
	2,640.59		
Receipts	4,587.19		
Receipts from 1931 Expenditures		1,946.60	
Material:			
Purchases	4,064.80		
Receipts	2,272.16	1,792.64	
Care of Trees		6.68	
Clean Catch Basins		1,502.51	
Gravel Walks		77.52	
Guard Rail and Fencing		665.75	
Minor Repairs		2,120.75	
Street Signs and Numbers		674.23	
Street Sprinkling		226.27	
Tar Patching		11,187.14	
Traffic Painting		375.08	
Minor Charges		857.73	
Repairs by Streets:			
Swain's Pond Ave.	56.97		
Elliott Street	27.87		
Grove Street	2,029.57		
East Side-Cover Tracks	605.72		
Franklin Street	2,503.31		
Main Street	2,725.23		
Porter Street	163.94	8,112.61	25,652.31
Balance			$ 263.22

HIGHWAY CONSTRUCTION

Balance 1931	$13,982.47	
Unexpended Balances	3,938.39	
	17,920.86	
Less:		
B. of A. Orders	9,480.00	$ 8,440.86
Expended		
Invoices		37.01
Balance		$ 8,403.85

BETTERMENT ASSESSMENT RECEIPTS

Balance 1931	$16,432.28	
Unexpended Balances	4,629.06	
Receipts for 1932	10,616.72	$31,678.06
Expended		
B. of A. Orders		22,960.00
Balance		$ 8,718.06

Summary of Net Expenditures on Highway Construction

BOND ISSUES

Main Street	No. 49-A	$ 7,974.40

B. of A. Orders from **HIGHWAY CONSTRUCTION GENERAL ACCOUNT, BETTERMENT ASSESSMENT RECEIPTS** and **MAIN STREET BALANCES**

1931 ORDERS:			
W. Emerson and Vinton Streets	No. 65-A		21.00
1932 ORDERS:			
Glendale Avenue	No. 19557-A	$ 3,483.54	
Howie Street	No. 19609-A	6.43	
Mount Vernon Avenue	No. 19202-A	15,798.59	
Pilgrim Road	No. 19239-A	3,745.03	
Ruggles Street	No. 19240-A	1,796.58	
Standish Road	No. 233-A	1,489.55	26,319.72
Total NET expenditure on Orders			34,315.12
Net Expenditure from General Account			37.01
Total net expenditures on Hwy Construction			$34,352.13

ROLLER ACCOUNT

Balance 1931		$ 2,551.29	
Receipts from use		1,203.50	$ 3,754.79
Expended			
Repairs:			
Labor	$ 203.44		
Overhead	20.36		
Parts	416.91	640.71	
Fuel:			
Coal and Wood	$ 127.92		
Oil and Gasolene	55.67	183.59	824.30
Balance			$2,930.49

SUMMARY OF STABLES ACCOUNTS

	Gross Capital	Net Expenditures	Unexpended Balance
Salaries and Wages	$5,200.00	$5,108.16	$ 91.84
Insurance	200.00	137.88	62.12
Maintenance	2,650.00	2,647.80	2.20
Other Expenses	200.00	91.49	108.51
Repairs	500.00	471.19	28.81
	$8,750.00	$8,456.52	$293.48

Receipts from use on Stables Account	$8,769.83
Less—Net Expenditures	8,456.52
Net Receipts above cost of operation	$313.31

SUMMARY OF AUTOMOTIVE ACCOUNT

	Gross Capital	Net Expenditure	Unexpended Bal.
Salaries and Wages	$2,580.00	$2,549.13	$30.87
Insurance	1,220.00	1,193.15	26.85
Maintenance and Repairs	4,000.00	3,940.17	59.83
Other Expense	550.00	429.98	120.02
Supplies	750.00	484.68	265.32
	$9,100.00	$8,597.11	$502.89

Receipts from use of Automotive Account	$11,478.72
Less—Net Expenditures	8,597.11
Net Receipts above cost of operation	$2,881.61

MUNICIPAL GARAGE

Balance 1931		$236.44
Expended:		
Labor	$30.18	
Stock, teams and overhead	3.02	
Invoices	43.72	76.92
Balance		$159.52

STREET LIGHTING

Budget 1932	$40,000.00	
Less—B. of A. Order	1,000.00	$39,000.00
Expended:		
Invoices		38,881.88
Balance		$118.12

SNOW REMOVAL AND SANDING

Balance 1931	$2,586.13	
Budget 1932	8,000.00	
B. of A. Order No. 1035	2,500.00	$13,086.13
Expended:		
Plowing	2,093.30	
Removing	5,564.18	
Sanding	2,635.37	
Overhead	845.41	
Sundries	13.50	11,151.76
Balance		$1,934.37

PURCHASE OF STREET SNOW PLOWS

Balance 1931	$407.30	
Less—B. of A. Order No. 947	123.10	$284.20
Expended:		
Invoices		284.20

INSURANCE

Budget 1932	$9,700.00	
Receipts	.60	
	9,700.60	
Less—B. of A. Orders	1,500.00	$8,200.60
Expended:		
Invoices		8,197.39
Balance		$3.21

VACATIONS

Budget 1932	$6,900.00
Expended:	
Payrolls	6,778.70
Balance	$121.30

PENSIONS

Budget 1932	$14,625.00	
Less—B. & A. Order No. 873-F	450.00	$14,175.00
Expended:		
Payrolls		14,081.15
Balance		$93 85

JUDGMENT OF VINCENT GREEN

B. of A. Order No. 861		$185.85
Expended:		
Invoice		185.85

SEWER CONSTRUCTION

Balance 1931		$3,016.17	
Unexpended Balances		36.76	$3,052.93
Expended:			
Overhead Expense—Expended	$2,633.27		
Receipts	3,008.21		
Net credit from previous years expenditures		374.94	
Material — Purchases	1,244.20		
Receipts	1,375.69		
Net credit from stock on hand Jan. 1, 1932		131.49	
Boston Rock Road		54.54	
B. of A. Orders		3,178.73	2,726.84
Balance			$326.09

PRIVATE SEWERS

Balance 1931		$464.03	
Receipts		3,872.75	
		4,336.78	
Less — Refunds		1,438.21	$2,898.57
Expended:			
Labor		1,793.85	
Stock, teams and overhead		1,069.37	
Invoices		33.22	2,896.44
Balance			$2.13

SEWER MAINTENANCE

Budget 1932		$3,000.00	
Less — B. of A. Order No. 978		600.00	$2,400.00

Expended:			
Labor		1,778.39	
Stock, teams and overhead		426.55	
Invoices		122.10	2,327.04
Balance			$72.96

SEWER ASSESSMENT RECEIPTS

Balance 1931		$16,365.87	
Unexpended Balances		4,199.49	
Receipts for 1932		12,710.74	$33,276.10
Expended:			
B. of A. Orders			26,756.00
Balance			$6,520.10

SEWER CONNECTIONS

Balance 1931		$398.26	
Budget 1932		1,500.00	$1,898.26
Expended:			
Labor	$956.74		
Stock, teams and overhead	290.62	1,247.36	
Credit by connections used		388.96	858.40
Balance			$1,039.86

SEWER AND DRAIN CONSTRUCTION

Budget 1932		$1,000.00	
B. of A. Order No. 976		1,000.00	$2,000.00
Transferred to Surface Drainage Construction			1,000.00
Balance			$1,000.00

COST OF SEWERAGE SYSTEM

Cost of system to January 1, 1932		$875,921.34	
Expended 1932		21,407.82	
Cost of system to December 31, 1932			$897,329.16

SUMMARY OF NET EXPENDITURES ON SEWER CONSTRUCTION

B. of A. Orders from Sewer Construction General Account and Sewer Assessment Receipts.

B. of A. Orders 1932:		
East Foster Street No. 19,811—19811-D	$442.88	
Glendale Ave. No. 19,345 and C	2,117.95	
So. East Section—Trunk Line No. 18,005, 901 and 995	19,298.88	
Total net expenditures		$21,859.71

SURFACE DRAINAGE CONSTRUCTION

Balance 1931	$70.09	
From Sewer and Drain Construction	1,000.00	$1,070.09
Expended:		
Melrose Street	27.38	
Perkins Street	74.90	
Frost Avenue	49.02	
Spot Pond Brook	115.29	
Ruggles Street	6.50	
Washington Street	234.74	507.83
Balance		$562.26

SURFACE DRAINAGE MAINTENANCE

Budget 1932	$6,000.00	
B. of A. Order No. 978	600.00	$6,600.00
Expended:		
Labor	4,856.45	
Stock, teams and overhead	1,114.25	
Invoices	596.01	6,566.71
Balance		$33.29

DERBY ROAD DRAIN

B. of A. Order No. 920 $856.00

None expended.

WALLING AND COVERING SPOT POND BROOK

Balance 1931		$5,500.00
Expended:		
Labor	$3,231.24	
Stock, teams and overhead	568.91	
Invoices	1,698.72	5,498.87
Balance		$1.13

COST OF SURFACE DRAINAGE SYSTEM

Cost of system to January 1, 1932	$473,635.53	
Expended 1932	6,007.70	
Cost of system to January 1, 1933		$479,643.23

CONTINUOUS WALKS

Balance 1931	$12,423.54	
Unexpended Balances	2,514.76	
	14,938.30	
Less — B. of A. Orders	10,114.00	$4,824.30
Expended:		
Overhead:		
Expense	$1,402.30	
Receipts	1,057.89	344.41
Material:		
Purchases	18,128.22	
Receipts	18,077.89	50.33
Sodding Expense:		
Expense	4,166.80	
Receipts	4,180.09	
Net Credit	13.29	381.45
Balance		$4,442.85

INDIVIDUAL WALKS

Balance 1931	$1,129.06	
Receipts	1,364.62	
	2,493.68	
Less — Refunds	727.01	$1,766.67
Expended:		
Labor	542.71	
Stock, teams and overhead	865.46	
Invoices	25.51	1,433.68
Balance		$332.99

REPAIR OF WALKS

Budget 1932	$5,000.00	
B. of A. Order No. 947	123.10	$5,123.10

Expended:		
Labor	2,836.66	
Stock, teams and overhead	1,211.04	
Invoices	1,032.32	5,080.02
Balance		$43.08

SIDEWALK ASSESSMENT RECEIPTS

Balance 1931	$12,916.99	
Unexpended Balances	5,854.70	
Receipts for 1932	16,959.54	$35,731.23
Expended:		
B. of A. Orders		20,683.74
Balance		$15,047.49

SUMMARY OF NET EXPENDITURES ON SIDEWALK CONSTRUCTION

B. of A. Orders from Continuous Walks—General Account and Sidewalk Assessments Receipts.

B. of A. 1932 Orders:

East Street	No. 19,867	$566.49
Frost Avenue	19,968	2,315.66
Glen Street	19,115-A	2,101.96
Glen Street	19,115-D	25.38
Glendale Avenue	275	1,810.47
Irving Street	586	1,077.53
Irving Street	586-A	347.20
Keniston Road	18,672-C	1,109.75
Lovell Road	18,917-A	4,028.11
Perkins Street	86	755.74
Perkins Street	86-A	373.34
Ruggles Street	914	785.62
Swain's Pond Avenue	19,882	2,399.53
Walton Park	129	1,310.43
W. Wyoming Avenue	19,993	986.18
W. Wyoming Ave. 884 and	884-A	936.44

Total net expenditures on construction.....$20,929.83

FORESTRY

CARE OF TREES

Budget 1932	$3,000.00	
B. of A. Order No. 936	100.90	$3,100.90

Expended:		
Labor	2,228.06	
Stock, teams and overhead	713.20	
Invoices	159.64	3,100.90

PLANTING NEW TREES

Budget 1932	$300.00	
Less—B. of A. Order No. 936	100.90	$199.10
Expended:		
Labor	126.78	
Stock, teams and overhead	35.32	
Invoices	37.00	199.10

COLLECTION OF ASHES AND RUBBISH

Budget 1932	$15,500.00	
B. of A. Order No. 997	300.00	$15,800.00
Expended:		
Ash Collections	9,777.45	
Level Dump	2,176.19	
Ash Cards and Delivery	114.85	
Paper Collections	3,329.55	
Liability Insurance	360.12	
Sundries	39.40	15,797.56
Balance		$2.44

COLLECTION OF GARBAGE

Budget 1932	$20,000.00	
B. of A. Orders	2,500.00	$22,500.00
Expended:		
Labor	16,744.80	
Stock and teams	3,268.78	
Invoices and overhead	2,459.49	22,473.07
Balance		$26.93

STREET CLEANING

Budget 1932	$4,000.00	
B. of A. Orders	300.00	$4,300.00
Expended:		
Labor	3,291.08	
Stock, teams and overhead	575.01	
Invoices	386.13	4,252.22
Balance		$47.78

PUBLIC WORKS OFFICE — RECEIPTS

Receipts 1932		$165.22
None. expended		

PUBLIC WORKS SALARIES AND WAGES

Budget 1932	$13,000.00	
B. of A. Order No. 634-D	600.00	$13,600.00
Expended:		
Payrolls	13,574.78	
Liability Insurance	3.14	13,577.92
Balance		$22.08

PUBLIC WORKS — EXPENSE

Budget 1932		$600.00
Expended:		
Supplies	$59.77	
Stationery and Printing	237.46	
Stamps	59.21	
Telephone	132.61	
Automobile Expense	100.00	
Sundries	9.00	598.05
Balance		$1.95

ENGINEERS SALARIES AND WAGES

Budget 1932		$7,515.00
Expended:		
Payrolls	$7,411.66	
Liability Insurance	55.25	7,466.91
Balance		$48.09

ENGINEERS OTHER EXPENSE

Budget 1932		$1,100.00
Expended:		
Use of Car	$596.00	
Supplies	201.47	
Telephone	4.81	
Sundries — Plans etc.	235.18	1,037.46
Balance		$62.54

CITY HALL SALARIES AND WAGES

Budget 1932		$3,340.00
Expended:		
Payrolls	$3,167.79	
Liability Insurance	32.57	3,200.36
Balance		$139.64

CITY HALL RECEIPTS

Receipts 1932	$241.00
None Expended.	

CITY HALL EXPENSE

Budget 1932		$3,000.00	
B. of A. Order No. 997		150.00	$3,150.00
Expended:			
Supplies			
Alterations and Repairs		143.45	
Gas		331.43	
Electricity		33.73	
Fuel		1,461.76	
Telephone		780.09	
Towel Care		52.75	
Ice		70.70	
Sundries		79.27	
Water Rates	$40.68		
Flowers	20.00		
Other Items	120.96	181.64	3,134.82
Balance			$15.18

BOARD OF SURVEY — EXPENSE

Budget 1932	$25.00
Expended:	
Invoices	3.50
Balance	$21.50

FIRE LOSS — OFFICE BUILDING NEW HIGH SCHOOL

Receipts	$500.00
Expended:	
Invoices	500.00

UNEMPLOYMENT FUND — PUBLIC WORKS DEPARTMENT

Balance 1931	$31.00	
Receipts from committee	194.00	
	225.00	
Less — To Park Department	31.00	$194.00
Expended:		
Payrolls		194.00

Respectfully submitted,

FRED E. ELLIS,
Engr. and Supt. of Public Works

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School Department 1933

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Corresponding Secretary, EDWARD J. WALL

Recording Secretary, HERMAN H. STUART

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Chester B. Allen, Chairman 1008 Main Street	Office Lib. 1115 Res. Mel. 0952	1936
Charles H. Adams 25 Rowe Street	Office Mel. 2120-W Res. Mel. 2120-R	1936
Ralph M. Bragdon 90 Bellevue Avenue	Office Lib. 1713 Res. Mel. 2340	1934
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Regular meetings of the School Committee are held in the Committee Room, High School Building, on the first Monday of every month, except during July and August, at 8 p.m.

SUPERINTENDENT OF SCHOOLS

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REPORT OF SUPERINTENDENT OF SCHOOLS

To the Members of the School Committee,
Ladies and Gentlemen:

I have the honor of presenting to you my tenth annual report as Superintendent of Schools.

Comment should first be directed to the most noteworthy event of the past year: The new High School building which is now nearing completion. This last step in the City's program of providing adequately and suitably for the education of its children is the outcome of long and serious study, not only on the part of this School Committee, but also of its predecessors in office. During all this time that the subject was under consideration, much debate took place throughout the community, resulting in widespread publicity. The approach to the problem four years ago by your Committee at a time when strong differences of opinion had already been forged in the City was so free from prejudiced conclusions that it seemed at that time to your Superintendent that the ultimate decision would be the right thing to do, and would receive the indorsement of a majority of the citizens. This has since been proved to be a fact.

Your Committee is entirely familiar with the details of structure and accommodations of this building, so it is needless to go over them here except to state that the building has fifty-three class rooms having a combined normal seating capacity of 1,659 pupils. If need should require, this capacity could be stretched without serious inconvenience. In addition to the class room space, the school will have a library seating one hundred and twenty pupils, two gymnasiums, and two manual training shops, all of which add materially to the working facilities of the building.

It is evident that your Committee has made provision for the future in approving the plans of this building. As the structure nears completion and the possibilities of the location begin to reveal themselves, one becomes convinced that the setting is an

ideal one. Here will be found every opportunity for work and play by high school boys and girls, and the contribution which it will make to the future generations of children will be incalculable. We hope it will prove to be a good investment, and that it will be appreciated.

Contracts for practically all the furnishings have been awarded. Your sub-committee has given its personal attention to the selection of the equipment. Samples have been examined and selections made of only that furniture which is substantially made, well finished, and suited in design to its intended use. It is needless to state that prices have been very favorable.

The construction of the new High School building marks the end of a ten year school building program involving an expenditure of approximately $1,500,000.00. In this program, all sections of the city have been included. We are in a position now to postpone consideration of additional school buildings for some years to come. For purposes of record and of refreshing our recollection of just how extensive our school building program has been, I am listing below important details of each project.

School	Date of Occupancy	No. of Rooms	Cost of Land, Buildings, Furnishings
Washington Addition	May 1925	6	$45,588.22
Roosevelt	Sept. 1925	13	197,963.89
Ripley	Sept. 1925	3	47,411.29
Winthrop	Jan. 1927	13	211,419.69
Lincoln Addition	Sept. 1930	13	214,160.22
Ripley Addition	Sept. 1930	4	37,025.07
New High School		53	*700,000.00

*approximate

Not counting the new High School building, the City has constructed fifty-two new class rooms. This number does not represent a net gain of that many, for four class rooms have been abandoned and destroyed at the Winthrop School and one at the Ripley school, while four at the Sewall School have been turned over for high school uses. Hence there has been a net gain in elementary school class rooms of forty-three. All of these buildings are of modern construction, well lighted and well ventilated, thus insuring safe and healthful conditions under which children may pursue their education. No longer do we find children housed in dark, unattractive, poorly ventilated basement and attic rooms, nor in corridors and assembly halls.

This improvement in the physical conditions under which our children work has been attended with the inevitable increase in operating expense. Cost of fuel, light, and janitor service has been reflected in our expanding school budgets. The fact that our light-

ing bill jumped from approximately $1,000 in 1922 to $3,420 in 1932 shows that operating expense mounts as essential service is provided.

Increase in School Population

Melrose has not been considered a fast growing city; hence the yearly increment in school population has been small—certainly it has not seemed to be a major problem with us. Yet, if we widen our perspective to span a ten year period, we find that during this time Melrose has stepped up in size among the thirty-nine cities of the Commonwealth from the thirty-fifth to the thirtieth place. At the same time our school population has grown 39%, as compared with an increase of 13.2% for all the cities of the State. The tabulation shows the yearly growth in elementary and high schools from 1921-22 to 1931-32.

School Year	Average Membership in Elementary Schools	Average Membership in High School
1921-22	2378	642
1922-23	2447	736
1923-24	2423	803
1924-25	2497	831
1925-26	2528	870
1926-27	2609	915
1927-28	2709	978
1928-29	2789	1065
1928-30	2877	1076
1930-31	2941	1130
1931-32	2987	1207

Ten years ago there was an insufficiency of class rooms to the extent that eight hundred pupils were on part time. Realizing that the normal increase in school population in this city would be enough to fill a good sized building while plans were being drawn, the appropriation made, and the building constructed, the School Committee has reason to congratulate itself and to appreciate the cooperation of the appropriating body and the citizens for the very fortunate position in which we find ourselves at the present time with respect to our school accommodations. Few cities in the Commonwealth can match the uniformly good physical conditions which prevail in our school plants today.

When we turn to a consideration of the increase in our school budgets, as we shall in the following section, we should give consideration to the factor of increase in number of children to be educated, and particularly to the fact that that part of our school

enrollment which has expanded the most rapidly has been that part which is the most expensive to maintain; namely, the high school, in which the increase in the number of pupils has been 88%.

The Cost of Education

It is clearly seen that one of the reactions of the present economic situation is directed at the financial aspect of education. Whether this impact is engineered or natural, one realizes that the use of such commonplace expressions as "Schools cost less than chewing gum" or "Less is spent on education than on cosmetics or tobacco" would be trivial in the present situation. It is futile, also, to attempt to discuss the causes of the depression, or to state that schools have had nothing to do with bringing business to its present low point.

School costs must be reduced. The wind is so strong that sails must be shortened. The reduction may be made in one or two ways: either by giving to the people a cheaper type of education, which I believe would not be acceptable; or by lowering costs by means of economics such as: securing the cooperation of teachers and all other school employees to stop all waste, and to cut supplies to a very minimum; by increasing size of classes; by adding to the teacher load; by elimination of electives which result in small classes; and by lengthening the school day. To go further than this without considering the seriousness of the financial needs of our particular city might be to "flee when no man pursueth."

"Schools cost too much" is a familiar headline. One is tempted to ask, "Where?" for school costs vary greatly in adjoining cities. Among the thirty-nine cities of the Commonwealth the cost per pupil for the fiscal year 1931 ranged from $131.78 down to $79.81. The average for all cities was $103.01. The cost in Melrose was $93.31. This cost was $87.43 ten years ago. (Figures taken from the annual reports of the Department of Education, years 1921-22 and 1931-32.) Although the official figures for the fiscal year 1932 are not yet available, we know the reduction in the school budget for this period has brought down the cost per pupil in Melrose to under $90.00. The important question, therefore, for us is, "Do the generalizations concerning school costs apply in Melrose?"

Fortunately, especially in these times, we do not have to guess where school money has gone. Expenditures can be allocated to functions and to school units, and increases traced through a period of years. Moreover, the budget has always been intelligently made by your Committee, and approved only upon accurate knowledge of what has gone before, as well as upon forecasts of what was to follow. In ten years the expenditures in control of your Committee have never exceeded the budget, yet there has never been any tendency on the part of your Committee to modify the

educational program to meet budgetry pressure. Thus the budget has always been used as a means of financial control, and not as a means of determining the educational policies.

In line with other governmental agencies, our school expenditures have increased materially during the ten year period 1921-31. Our school budget has grown from $246,930 in 1921 to $395,074 in 1931, an increase of 60%. During the same period the cost of maintenance of other city departments has grown 73%. (Figures taken from the reports and records of the State Division of Accounts.)

While it is true that the demands made upon all city departments for service have increased during this period, yet the demands upon our schools because of increased enrollment have been very definite and very great. Let it be recalled that there were six hundred and twelve more pupils at a per pupil cost of $82.60 in our elementary schools, and five hundred and sixty-five more pupils at a per pupil cost of $103.41 in our high school at the end of the ten year period than at the beginning. The operating cost resulting from the expansion of the school plant, referred to at the beginning of this report, accounts for some of the increase. Legislative requirements with respect to special classes and crippled children have, of course, been reflected in the school budget. Increase in teachers' salaries during this ten year period has not had the influence which popular belief is wont to ascribe to it, for the average elementary school teacher's salary in Melrose in 1922 was $1,402.46, while the present average salary for elementary teachers is $1,589. The high school teachers have fared somewhat better than the grade teachers with respect to salary increases, for in 1922 the average woman teacher in the high school had a salary of $1,693. At the present time her average is $1,959.

Other changes and improvements have been made in the high school teaching situation which ought not to be overlooked. Among these changes are increase in the proportion of men on the high school faculty, and replacement of women heads of departments by men. Undoubtedly, however, the major factor in the increase in school costs has been the number of pupils attending school—particularly the increased number of those attending high school, where the expense is greatest.

The school budget stands in an exposed position in the public eye as the largest single departmental expenditure. Roughly speaking, schools in general take about one-third of the tax money. Whether or not this is too large a proportion is not to be argued here. It is to the point, however, to state that of our total city budget, the percentage which the schools have taken has been constantly growing less during the last ten years, as shown by the following tabulation. (Figures taken from Melrose printed budgets for the respective years.)

1922—School	Department's	appropriation	36.6%	of	total	city	budget
1926	"	"	"	33.7%	"	"	"	"
1929	"	"	"	34.5%	"	"	"	"
1931	"	"	"	30.6%	"	"	"	"
1932	"	"	"	28 %	"	"	"	"

Now let us see what efforts were made by the School Department to meet the present emergency in the preparation of its budget for the fiscal year just closed. In the fiscal year 1931 the School Department requirments were $394,600. Had normal scheduled increments in teachers' salaries been allowed, and had financial conditions been ignored, the 1932 budget, based upon the average yearly budgetary increases for the previous ten years, would have been approximately $410,000. By suspending the automatic salary increments, by affecting consolidations, and by bringing about other economies, your Committee presented a burget of $374,144, a reduction of 5% from the previous year's expenditures, although there were approximately one hundred pupils more in the public schools on January 1, 1932, than there were on January 1, 1931. Although the School Department reduced its demands upon the tax levy 5%, the total city budget for that year increased 1%.

It is unfortunate that the drive on the part of tax payers to reduce governmental and municipal expense, an entirely proper attitude in these times, tends to create the impression that widespread extravagance and waste pervade municipal government. This may be true with respect to certain cities, but it is my opinion that in general municipalities are economically run; that public money is carefully expended, and that public officials are honest. Particularly is this true of Melrose.

Our Educational Objectives

Schools will be forced during the next few years to operate on a reduced income and to cease expansion externally in the way of new buildings, new departments, and added personnel. Yet there need be no abridgement of the opportunities for internal expansion and growth, such as improvement in teaching, raising of standards, and more effective consolidation and co-operation of the agencies which we already have.

In the struggle with financial problems and other material factors, it is necessary more than ever that we "keep our eyes on the ball"—the school child. All questions are derived from his needs, and must be answered in terms of the same. These needs are greater today than ever. They cannot be met with the type of education which consisted of the pouring in of isolated facts in the fields of mathematics, history, and other school subjects, nor by the mastery of skills through dull drill. The schools have dis-

carded as unprofitable the attempt to educate all children to the same pattern. We have learned that the mere accumulation of information is not true education, but on the contrary, knowledge to be useful must be usable. The newer procedure holds that education is a process of growth; that the job of the school is to stimulate and guide the growth of the individual child in accordance with his physical, mental, and emotional equipment.

There was a time when subject matter was given precedence over the individual. Then education could be carried on on the mass production basis. It was gauged to that non-existent person, the average child. Now subject matter takes a place secondary to the growth of the child. Education can be carried on only in groups small enough so that each child stands out as an individual, and receives the treatment appropriate for him. Melrose teachers are working under the influence of this thought. The justification for adequate supervision is that teachers may grow in their understanding and use of effective technique in carrying out this individualization.

It is our belief that children should not be required to fit into a plan of organization of instruction, but that adaptation of the schools should be made to meet individual needs. This must be done in an orderly way through the curriculum. By this procedure we believe that a child considered not educable under the old regimen can be made a useful member of society if teachers and parents will earnestly try to find the key to his individuality. Carrying this theory further after making due allowances for differences in native equipment, we recognize that mental proficiency is bound up with bodily conditions and changes with them, increasing or decreasing as those conditions improve or deteriorate. Hence we see the necessity of health education and physical education, and cooperation with the home and the medical profession.

Permeating this theory of individualization is a recognition of the fact that the greatest intellectual growth results from self education under wise direction. Industry, self correction, and the utilization of facts and skills already learned in new situations and in all possible combinations develop real power in the individual child.

Situations in school—either natural or set by the teacher—which require the exercise of the higher mental processes such as the use of judgment and reasoning, are foundations for success in any field of later endeavor. This seems like a simple philosophy, but its practice requires teachers who are not only well trained and experienced, but those who recognize that the effectiveness of an educational program is determined not by what it does for the mass of children—an indefinite group—but by the changes which are wrought in the individual child, a very definite person. Too great a reduction of expenditures, resulting in much disturbance

of our present organization, would make difficult, perhaps impossible, the continuance of our present course.

In conclusion, permit me to state that I think the school children of this city are fortunate in having a School Committee whose deliberations center upon what is best for the schools. It has been a great pleasure, and an inspiration as well, to work with individuals who are so thoroughly actuated in the interests of the pupils. It is gratifying to note that in the stress of the present situation that attitude persists, and that there is a determination that there shall be no encroachment on the rights of the boys and girls in our schools. Your Superintendent appreciates the cordial support and friendly co-operation which has characterized our relations.

Respectfully submitted,

H. H. STUART
Superintendent of Schools

TABLE I

School Year	School Census	No. of different pupils enrolled in elementary schools exclusive of re-enrollment	No. of different pupils enrolled in High School exclusive of re-enrollment	Average membership in elementary schools	Average membership in High School	Average attendance in elementary schools	Average attendance in High School	No. of graduates from High School	No. of graduates from grammar schools
1910–11	2601	2304	586	2096.10	546.70	1982.47	518.52	107	340
1911–12	2876	2103	711	1971.39	665.73	1856.89	634.47	93	302
1912-13		2001	802	1917.98	731.44	1817.81	687.03	84	229
1913–14		2048	767	1918.85	737.00	1838.22	720.87	100	193
1914–15		2061	805	1975.23	751.38	1862.62	723.07	163	187
1915–16	3240	2079	736	2000.78	677.68	1885.35	649.78	136	198
1916–17	3315	2041	698	1978.12	647.01	1878.00	636.00	114	192
1917-18	3495	2129	684	2022.77	618.47	1898.68	591.11	106	179
1918–19	3647	2192	644	2085.09	588.02	1924.15	560.24	98	185
1919–20	3982	2281	693	2152.17	616.54	1992.80	591.41	103	165
1920–21	4015	2412	647	2309.36	608.89	2200.92	582.07	121	214
1921–22	3925	2446	677	2377.92	642.41	2229.98	620.21	89	228
1922-23	3079	2570	715	2447.18	736.37	2259.76	705.92	111	177
1923–24	3244	2548	790	2423.27	803.62	2292.52	774.46	136	239
1924–25	3657	2564	888	2497.10	831.69	2345.91	798.18	167	228
1925–26	3700	2645	911	2528.09	870.46	2356.61	841.42	177	222
1926–27	3685	2708	945	2609.63	915.44	2494.89	892.57	169	230
1927–28		2771	1023	2709.62	978.06	2562.24	943.52	183	299
1928-29		2854	1087	2789.19	1065.85	2611.80	1009.23	218	240
1929–30		2970	1116	2877.79	1076.33	2714.84	1028 85	192	251
1930-31		3005	1136	2941.75	1130 88	2788.58	1080.71	225	274
1931–32		3002	1223	2917.76	1206.61	2754.75	1150.69	249	282

TABLE II

Percentage of Pupils Belonging June 1932 Who Failed of Promotion

Schools	GRADES 1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	Total Average Percent Failed
Franklin			1.18	2.67	2.50	1.47			1.96
Gooch	10.34	5.71	6.66	0.00	0.00	0.00			3.79
Lincoln	20.75	5.97	10.71	7.27	1.75	2.90	8.23	2.70	7.54
Livermore	3.57	8.33	0.00	0.00	0.00				2.58
Ripley	11.54	8.00	8.00	5.26	0.00	0.00			5.47
Roosevelt					2.27	8.16	6.31	3.97	5.18
Warren	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00					0.00
Washington	18.60	2.85	4.87	10.26	0.00	10.45	13.77	5.11	8.24
Whittier	5.71	0.00							2.86
Winthrop	13.89	11.11	9.21	12.16	4.55	2.50			8.90
Total	10.55	5.25	5.08	4.70	1.38	3.64	9.44	3.93	5.50

Percentage of Pupils Belonging June 1932 Who Were Conditioned

Schools	GRADES 1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	Total Average Percent Condi-tioned
Franklin			2.35	5.33	5.00	4.41			4.27
Gooch	3.45	2.86	6.66	7.14	14.28	11.11			7.58
Lincoln	5.66	14.93	5.35	7.27	8.77	7.24	24.71	13.51	10.93
Livermore	7.14	8.33	10.52	0.00	18.18				8.84
Ripley	19.23	20.00	0.00	10.53	0.00	0.00			8.29
Roosevelt					9.09	6.12	13.51	9.52	9.56
Warren	7.69	0.00	2.63	0.00					2.58
Washington	6.97	0.00	2.44	5.13	8.51	14.93	11.98	14.60	8.07
Whittier	7.14	4.41							5.78
Winthrop	2.78	3.17	11.84	10.81	3.03	13.75			7.56
Total	7.51	6.71	5.22	5.78	8.36	3.53	16.73	12.54	8.30

TABLE III

Percentage of Pupils Who Failed of Promotion

1928-1932

Grades	1928	1929	1930	1931	1932	Total Average Percent Failed
I	8.92	12.04	12.46	10.71	10.55	10.94
II	3.09	3.50	3.13	2.48	5.25	3.49
III	4.15	5.27	4.34	3.52	5.08	4.47
IV	4.38	3.12	2.33	3.38	4.70	3.58
V	4.48	7.10	5.28	1.54	1.38	3.96
VI	6.53	8.55	10.75	4.25	3.64	6.74
VII	8.19	13.58	9.19	7.81	9.44	9.64
VIII	5.19	3.49	9.22	4.78	3.93	5.32
Total	5.62	7.08	7.09	4.44	5.50	5.95

Percentage of Pupils Who Were Conditioned

1928-1932

Grades	1928	1929	1930	1931	1932	Total Average Percent Condi-tioned
I	9.42	5.97	6.94	7.56	7.51	7.48
II	3.04	3.65	4.71	7.10	6.71	5.04
III	8.24	7.88	7.59	4.24	5.22	6.63
IV	7.36	7.65	10.59	9.32	5.78	8.14
V	14.64	9.03	9.46	11.64	8.36	10.63
VI	14.40	10.01	11.55	9.00	3.53	9.70
VII	20.66	13.29	19.44	18.97	16.73	17.82
VIII	9.31	12.42	14.84	11.80	12.54	12.18
Total	10.88	8.74	10.64	8.27	8.30	9.37

TABLE IV

SHOWING TOTAL ENROLLMENT BY AGES AND GRADES—AS OF OCTOBER 1932

Age	Sp.	1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9	10	11	12	P. G.	Total
Under 5 yr. 9 mo.		59													59
5 yr. 9 mo. to 6 yr. 9 mo.		243	46	1											290
6 yr. 9 mo. to 7 yr. 9 mo.		46	225	60	1										332
7 yr. 9 mo. to 8 yr. 9 mo.	1	1	59	236	65										362
8 yr. 9 mo. to 9 yr. 9 mo.	2		3	60	208	45	1								319
9 yr. 9 mo. to 10 yr. 9 mo.	7		2	13	55	217	38	1							333
10 yr. 9 mo. to 11 yr. 9 mo.	8			5	23	45	233	55	1						370
11 yr. 9 mo. to 12 yr. 9 mo.	4			1	5	15	73	211	39	9					357
12 yr. 9 mo. to 13 yr. 9 mo.	11					5	22	71	187	33	4				333
13 yr. 9 mo. to 14 yr. 9 mo.	7					1	7	46	78	188	33	2	1		363
14 yr. 9 mo. to 15 yr. 9 mo.	4						2	17	31	93	163	40	3		353
15 yr. 9 mo. to 16 yr. 9 mo.	4						2	3	15	38	73	160	18		313
16 yr. 9 mo. to 17 yr. 9 mo.									1	9	26	63	146	6	251
17 yr. 9 mo. to 18 yr. 9 mo.								1	1	2	10	28	65	41	147
18 yr. 9 mo. to 19 yr. 9 mo.										1	3	7	17	13	41
19 yr. 9 mo. to 20 yr. 9 mo.										1		5	8	4	18
20 yr. 9 mo. to 21 yr. 9 mo.												2		3	5
Over 21 yr. 9 mo.											1	1		4	6
Totals.....	48	349	335	376	357	328	378	405	352	374	313	308	258	71	4252

TABLE V

FINANCIAL SUMMARY

January 1, 1932 — January 1, 1933

	Asked for by School Committee	Appropriated by Board of Aldermen	Plus or Minus Transfers and Credits	Net Appropriations	Expenditures	Balances
GENERAL CONTROL						
1. Administrative Salaries	$5,300.00	$5,300.00	0.00	$5,300.00	$5,300.00	0.00
2. Other General Salaries	3,100.00	3,100.00	0.00	3,100.00	3,100.00	0.00
3. Other General Expenses	1,550.00	1,150.00	+ 125.00	1,275.00	1,262.54	12.46
INSTRUCTIONAL SERVICE						
1. Teachers' Salaries	293,232.00	293,232.00	— 700.00	292,532.00	292,461.42	70.58
2. Textbooks and Supplies	12,000.00	12,000.00	0.00	12,000.00	11,998.39	1.61
3. Other Expenses	1,300.00	1,300.00	0.00	1,300.00	1,269.20	30.80
OPERATION OF SCHOOL PLANT						
1. Janitors' Services	23,000.00	23,000.00	— 500.00	22,500.00	22,443.46	56.54
2. Janitors' Supplies	1,400.00	1,400.00	0.00	1,400.00	1,344.77	55.23
3. Fuel	12,250.00	12,250.00	— 232.75	12,017.25	11,827.06	190.19
4. Water	900.00	900.00	0.00	900.00	665.16	234.84
5. Light and Power	4,000.00	4,000.00	+ 6.47	4,006.47	3,420.54	585.93

TABLE V—Continued

	Asked for by School Committee	Appropriated by Board of Aldermen	Plus or Minus Transfers and Credits	Net Appropriations	Expenditures	Balances
MAINTENANCE OF BUILDINGS AND GROUNDS						
1. Repairs 2. Furniture and Furnishings	13,000.00	8,000.00	+ 25.00	8,025.00	8,025.00	0.00
AUXILIARY AGENCIES						
1. Athletics—Grades	1,000.00	500.00	+ 25.47	525.47	511.88	13.59
2. Tuition	4,600.00	4,600.00	+1,450.00	6,050.00	5,960.23	89.77
3. Pension (Mr. Fogg)	500.00	500.00	0.00	500.00	500.00	0.00
4. Transportation	20.00	20.00	+ 1.00	21.00	20.75	.25
	$377,152.00	$371,252.00	+ 200.19	$371,452.19	$370,110.40	$1,341.79
SPECIAL APPROPRIATIONS						
Methodist Parish House	2,500.00	2,500.00	0.00	2,500.00	2,500.00	0.00
High School Boilers	4,000.00	4,000.00	0.00	4,000.00	3,995.79	4.21
Athletic Field	3,500.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00
Whittier School Sanitaries		68.87	0.00	68.87	67.89	.98
Ripley School Retaining Wall		508.35	0.00	508.35	0.00	508.35
Lincoln School Grounds		47.50	0.00	47.50	47.01	.49
	$10,000.00	$7,124.72	0.00	$7,124.72	$6,610.69	$514.03
GRAND TOTAL	$387,152.00	$378,376.72	$200.19	$378,576.91	$376,721.09	$1,855.82

TABLE VI

DISTRIBUTION OF EXPENSES BY SCHOOLS, FISCAL YEAR ENDING DECEMBER 31, 1932

	General Control	Other Expenses	Teachers including Principals	Textbooks	Supplies	Janitors' Services	Janitors' Supplies	Fuel	Water	Light and Power	Repair of Buildings	Furniture and Furnishings	Special Activities	Totals
High School		$545.31	$102,298.76	$3,157.41	$2,489.92	$5,603.36	$329.27	$2,428.09	$146.07	$787.11	$3,755.93	$141.00		$121,682.23
Sewall School						836.58		509.24	9.89	55.54	6.70			1,417.95
Franklin School		20.25	15,946.05	176.08	244.97	1,673.15	94.98	739.80	30.80	70.41	86.78			19,083.27
Gooch School		13.50	9,711.85	130.50	217.30	1,673.15	46.52	512.16	25.10	161.70	125.47			12,617.25
Lincoln School		106.07	37,618.76	390.37	948.95	2,826.28	221.54	1,656.96	110.42	592.13	227.80	55.00		44,754.28
Livermore School		8.76	8,307.50	91.70	195.25	836.57	77.32	440.40	36.77	80.49	12.84			10,087.60
Ripley School		13.13	8,575.44	68.01	240.66	1,590.00	40.68	525.92	39.11	131.73	86.30			11,310.98
Roosevelt School		96.48	25,631.76	450.88	636.49	1,882.28	107.98	952.85	53.67	510.57	173.77			30,496.73
Warren School		10.13	8,630.42	58.65	205.76	836.57	43.91	789.10	40.54	53.13	68.26			10,736.47
Washington School		114.47	33,665.99	727.79	606.84	2,037.28	166.92	1,756.83	58.91	408.87	172.23			39,716.13
Whittier School		10.13	7,668.62	51.37	177.00	836.58	43.91	356.07	42.57	41.74	88.65			9,316.64
Winthrop School		30.97	22,708.13	127.56	604.93	1,779.16	171.74	1,115.64	71.31	525.72	283.01	34.19		27,452.36
All Schools	$9,662.54	300.00	5,837.50			32.50		44.00		1.40	2,707.07			18,585.01
Tuition													5,960.23	5,960.23
Transportation													20.75	20.75
Music Salaries			1,960.64											1,960.64
Drawing Salaries			2,000.00											2,000.00
Phys. Educ. (Salaries)			1,900.00											1,900.00
Athletic—Grades													511.88	511.88
Janitor's Pension													500.00	500.00
	$9,662.54	$1,269.20	$292,461.42	$5,430.32	$6,568.07	$22,443.46	$1,344.77	$11,827.06	$665.16	$3,420.54	$7,794.81	$230.19	$6,992.86	$370,110.40

SPECIAL APPROPRIATIONS

Rental Methodist Parish House	2,500.00
High School Boilers	3,995.79
Whittier School Sanitaries	67.89
Ripley School Retaining Wall	0.00
Lincoln School Grounds	47.01
	6,610.69
GRAND TOTAL	$376,721.09

TABLE VII

COST PER PUPIL IN AVERAGE MEMBERSHIP FISCAL YEAR 1932

		High	Elementary
General Control		$2,851.45	$6,811.09
General Control, per pupil		2.29	2.29
Teachers' Salaries		102,298.76	190,162.66
Teachers' Salaries, per pupil		82.10	64.07
Textbooks		3,157.41	2,272.91
Textbooks, per pupil		2.53	.76
Supplies		2,489.92	4,078.15
Supplies, per pupil		1.99	1.37
Operation of School Plant		10,705.15	28,995.84
Operation of School Plant, per pupil		8.59	9.76
Maintenance of Buildings and Grounds		10,399.42	12,043.53
Maintenance of Buildings and Grounds, per pupil		8.34	4.06
Other Expenses, Athletics		545.31	1,235.77
Other Expenses, Athletics, per pupil		.44	.42
Tuition — Vocational and Evening Schools	$5,960.23		
Janitor's Pension	500.00		
Transportation	20.75		

The following tabulation shows the cost per pupil in Melrose for the last five years in comparison with the cost in other cities of the Commonwealth.

These figures were taken from the annual reports of the State Department of Education:

Year	Expenditures for Support of Public Schools from All Sources per Pupil	Averages for 39 Cities in the State	Rank among the 39 Cities in the State
1928	89.73	100.19	15
1929	90.13	101.24	16
1930	94.34	103.61	15
1931	94.68	103.82	15
1932	93.31	103.01	13

TABLE VIII
SHOWING ENROLLMENT, ATTENDANCE, ETC., FOR SCHOOL YEAR ENDING JUNE 30, 1932

1. By Schools

School	Number of different pupils enrolled exclusive of re-enrollments	Number of boys	Number of girls	Average Membership	Average Attendance	Percent of Attendance
High	1,223	605	618	1,206.61	1,150.69	94.96
Franklin	311	156	155	307.29	292.04	94.86
Gooch	169	88	81	168.46	156.87	93.43
Lincoln	535	286	249	519.61	491.40	94.54
Livermore	123	55	68	119.23	112.84	94.63
Ripley	144	79	65	142.47	135.85	95.39
Roosevelt	342	176	166	338.10	312.91	94.87
Warren	174	76	98	165.38	154.98	93.72
Washington	606	305	301	579.36	554.01	95.56
Whittier	141	73	68	135.94	125.44	92.29
Winthrop	457	229	228	441.92	418.41	94.42
	4,225	2,128	2,097	4,124.37	3,905.44	94.69

2. By Grades

School	Number of different pupils enrolled exclusive of re-enrollments	Number of boys	Number of girls	Average Membership	Average Attendance	Percent of Attendance
Post Graduate	33	15	18	32.15	29.94	93.13
Senior	248	126	122	247.46	237.12	95.82
Junior	288	135	153	280.68	266.59	94.97
Sophomore	298	150	148	297.48	283.76	95.38
Freshman	356	179	177	348.84	333.27	95.53
Eighth	345	180	165	336.88	322.29	95.60
Seventh	384	206	178	372.72	355.73	95.12
Sixth	384	191	193	379.05	364.29	96.12
Fifth	372	192	180	362.21	336.63	95.30
Fourth	360	172	188	351.29	335.14	95.42
Third	370	182	188	361.92	340.81	94.26
Second	367	187	180	357.15	332.91	93.27
First	374	182	192	354.50	328.23	92.68
Special	46	31	15	42.04	38.73	91.99
	4,225	2,128	2,097	4,124.37	3,905.44	94.69

TABLE IX

NUMBER OF TEACHERS INCLUDING PRINCIPALS IN THE DIFFERENT DEPARTMENTS

June 30, 1932

High (Grades 9-12)	45
Elementary (Grades 1-8)	109
General	6
Total	160

TABLE X

REPORT OF ATTENDANCE OFFICER

January 1932—December 1932

Number of cases investigated	86
Number found to be truants or absentees	50
Number of complaints in court	2
Number placed on probation by court	2
Number sentenced to training school	0
Number of visits to schools	57
Number of visits to homes	79

TABLE XI

REPORT OF SCHOOL NURSES

January 1932—December 1932

Number of visits to schools	1016
Number of pupils examined with school physician	2988
Number of pupils referred to school physician	88
Number of visits to pupils in homes	764

TABLE XII

AVERAGE AGE OF PUPILS IN THE DIFFERENT GRADES

October 1, 1932

Primary:	Grade 1	6 years 1 month
	Grade 2	7 years 2 months
	Grade 3	8 years 3 months
	Grade 4	9 years 3 months
Grammar:	Grade 5	10 years 4 months
	Grade 6	11 years 4 months
	Grade 7	12 years 3 months
	Grade 8	13 years 4 months
High:	Freshman Class	14 years 1 month
	Sophomore	15 years 3 months
	Junior	16 years 4 months
	Senior	17 years 5 months
	Post Graduate	18 years 7 months

RESULTS OF HEARING TESTS WITH AUDIOMETER

December 1932

Grades 3 to 8 inclusive

Number of pupils tested	2123
Number of pupils on first test showing hearing loss of 9 or or more sensation units in one or both ears	192
Number pupils retested	192
Number of pupils on retest showing hearing loss of more than 9 sensation units in one or both ears	39
Percent of pupils tested showing hearing defects	1.83%
Number of parents notified	39
Number parents included in above who were notified last year	19

INFORMATION ABOUT SCHOOL BUILDINGS

MELROSE, MASSACHUSETTS

Name	When Built
Franklin	1896
Lincoln (original building)	1896
Lincoln (addition)	1930
High (original building)	1897
High (addition)	1908
Gooch	1886
Whittier	1884
Warren	1892
Washington (original building)	1896
Washington (addition)	1924
Livermore	1891
Roosevelt	1924
Ripley (original building)	1924
Ripley (addition)	1930
Sewall	1874
Winthrop	1926

ESTIMATED VALUE OF SCHOOL PROPERTY

November 20, 1932

School	Buildings	Land	Furnishings
High	$300,000	$58,000	$23,000
Washington	100,000	5,000	10,000
Franklin	60,000	10,000	5,000
Gooch	50,000	4,500	5,000
Livermore	35,000	6,600	2,500
Warren	14,000	3,000	2,500
Lincoln	260,000	9,000	20,000
Sewall	8,000	7,400	2,500
Whittier	7,500	3,000	2,500
Roosevelt	177,000	2,000	15,000
Ripley	84,000	4,000	4,000
Winthrop	194,229	3,000	14,000
New High School	———	17.800	
	$1,289,729	$133,500	$106,000

Washington Playground	$5,000
Hesseltine School Lot	8,000

GENERAL STATISTICS

Population of Melrose, April 1932	24,000
Number of different pupils enrolled exclusive of re-enrollments school year 1931-32	4,225
Number in High School	1,223
Number in Elementary Schools	3,002
Total approved school bills fiscal year 1932	$376,721.09
Amount expended for High School fiscal year 1932 (exclusive of General Control)	130,116.72
Cost per pupil in the High School based upon average membership Jan. 1, 1932 to Jan. 1, 1933 (1,246)	$104.42
Amount expended for Elementary Schools fiscal year 1932 (exclusive of General Control)	$240,644.14
Cost per pupil in Elementary Schools based upon average membership Jan. 1, 1932 to Jan. 1, 1933 (2,968)	$81.07
Amount expended for tuition (evening high)	$614.70
Amount expended for tuition (vocational schools)	$5,345.53
Number of School Nurses Jan. 1, 1933	2
Number of Special Teachers and Supervisors Jan. 1, 1933	6
Number of High School Teachers including principals, Jan. 1, 1933	43
Number of Elementary Teachers including principals, Jan. 1, 1933	112
Number of pupils Jan. 1, 1933 enrolled per teacher in High School, excluding principals	30
Number of pupils enrolled per teacher in elementary schools, excluding non-teaching principals, Jan. 1, 1933	27

MELROSE HIGH SCHOOL

HONOR LIST

All A and B Averages in four years

Grace Helen Darling
Raymond H. Dimock
Paul L. Guibord
Anton E. Hittl
Barbara Leighton
Virginia E. MacDonald
Patricia E. Nelson
Dorothy M. Rogers
Rosamond L. Salisbury
Jeannette E. Scott
Descomb T. Stewart
Frances Melvin Tibbetts
Dorothy Evelyn Tyler
Benjamin Merritt Warfield
Alva Dorothy Wheeler

PERFECT ATTENDANCE

(Neither absent nor tardy for four years)

Marshall Grover
Anton E. Hittl
Margery Ruth Morse
Asenath Mae Pottle
Newton Draper Stanley
Gordon Henry Washburn

PRIZES AWARDED JUNE 1932

Levi Gould Medal
Anton E. Hittl

KAPPA PRIZE . . . . Virginia E. MacDonald

WASHINGTON AND FRANKLIN MEDAL . Anton E. Hittl

TEACHERS' CLUB SCHOLARSHIP . Ruth D. Turner

MELROSE HIGHLANDS WOMAN'S CLUB AWARD
Susanne Sanders

MASQUE AND WIG SCHOLARSHIP Virginia E. MacDonald

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